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M.L. SOBRAON	7382	L. M. Wibmer	11th "
* ORIENTAL	5284	J. F. Jephson	18th "
M.L. VALETTA	5023	F. N. Tillard	25th "
* BENGAL	4656	S. Barcham	1st Sept.
M.L. EGYPT	7912	C. F. Preston	8th "
* ORIENTAL	5284	J. F. Jephson	15th "
M.L. ARABIA	7903	J. L. Parfitt	22nd "
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Bombay, 29th June, 1900.

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TO TRIESTE DIRECT VIA ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

Steamer	Captains.	Tons.	To sail on
IMPERATOR	G. Klausberger	4,119	1st Oct., 1900.
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Steamer.	Captains.	Tons.	To sail
* TRIESTE	A. Mitis	5,095	in Aug., 1900.
* FRANZ FERDINAND	G. Costanzo	6,043	in Sept., 1900.

* She will not call at Karachee.

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TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on THURSDAY.
SYDNEY	4,022	Aubert	2nd Aug., 1900.
ANNAM	6,357	Poydenot	30th Aug., 1900.

TO COLOMBO, SINGAPORE, JAVA, SAIGON, TONQUIN, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

S. S. "INDUS," 6,357 tons, Captain Duchateau, to sail on or about the 22nd August, 1900.

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For further information refer to handbills which may be had on application to the Commercial Agent, Alleppey, Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., Madras, or Messrs. Wallibhoy Kaderbhoy and Co., Bombay.

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Huzur Cutcherry, Trivandrum, 12th July, 1900.

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THE DIRECTORS of the Tapti Valley Railway Company, Limited, invite Sealed Tenders for Rs. 6,00,000 forming part of a Debenture Loan of Rs. 10,00,000 bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum payable half-yearly and repayable on the 30th June, 1922.

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The full terms and conditions of the Debentures can be seen at the Office of the Agents.

Tenders below Rs. 490 will not be accepted and the Directors do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender.

A deposit of 2 per cent. must accompany the Tenders which must be sent to the Agent's Office by 1 p.m., (Gun fire), on the 15th August, 1900.

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26th July, 1900.

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By order of the Officer Commanding, R. E. Bombay District, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the M. W. Store-yeard, Upper Colaba (opposite the Church), THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 27th July 1900. at 2-30 p.m., consisting of scaffolding rafters, planks, mortar grinding stone rollers, iron tank, C. I. railing, piping doors and windows, treilis frames, old scantlings portable camp filters, &c.

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Bombay, 27th July, 1900.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,

No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at 3 p.m. Messrs' BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, &c. &c.

By order of the mortgagee, Mooljee Mottee, and on account and risk of the Mortgagor, Nuserwanjee Manackji Cooper, 1200 books of "Milton Comas" by Professor R. Scott," M. A., 2200 copies of notes on Charles Kingley's the Heroes by Professor Sharp, M. A., 44 drums carbolacene, 4 casks carbolacene.

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Bombay, 27th July, 1900.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS, 21, MEDOWS STREET, FORT, BOMBAY.

BONA-FIDE AUCTION SALE OF A LARGE LOT OF MILL STORES.

Under instructions from the mortgagee and on account and at the risk of the estate of the mortgagor, the late Mr. Fredrick Duckworth, deceased, and pursuant to the power of sale reserved to the mortgagees under the indenture of mortgage of the 29th day of August, 1899, executed between the said mortgagor, Mr. Fredric Duckworth, of the one part, and the said mortgagee of the other, Messrs. SORABJI CAWASJI & Co. will, at 2 p.m., TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 28th inst., sell by Public Auction, the stock-in-trade of the abovenamed mortgagor, on the mortgagor's premises at Apollo Street, opposite the Secretariat old buildings, Fort, comprising a large lot of leather belting, American and Egyptian banding, cotton driving rope, bobbins by Dixon, Buffalo pickers, engine packing, India rubber sheets, lubricating oil, khaki drill, corus, ring travellers by Brooks and Doxey, a large lot of chemicals, besides a lot of office furniture, safes, &c.

Catalogues may be obtained of the Auctioneers and goods viewed.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of knocking the lot to the purchaser and the balance shall be paid and goods cleared within three days from the day of sale.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co., Auctioneers.

Bombay, 27th July, 1900.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,

No. 7, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF FANCY TOYS.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 2 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Church Gate Street, Fort, in Watson's building, a large lot of sample toys, such as dressed and undressed dolls, crockeryware, table ornaments, cricket sets, game puzzle, locomotive engines, steamers, rubber balls, pictures, books, etc.

The above is now on view.

On SUNDAY the 29th inst. at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Jacob Circle, near the Tramway Terminus, and opposite the Hindostan Mill, the valuable and handsome French polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture, platedware, crockery and glassware, Chubb's large size fire proof safe 30 by 24 inches with stand and six keys, Brussels carpets, English ice box stove by Might and Butler, Royal Indian Rambler Racer bicycle, table ornaments, garden pots, etc., the property of Mrs. D. PASCOE.

The property is on view.

SALE OF LOOSE DIAMONDS, RUBIES, EMERALDS AND GOLD.

On MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 2 p.m.. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of Mr. Bomanjee Eduljee Casinath and on account and at the risk of Ramchunder Govind Datar of Bamanpala, in Taluka Panve.—

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WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:—

Furniture, such as cupboards, chairs, tables, writing, dressing, and wash-hand tables, book and hat stands, drawing-room suit of sofas and chairs, double mirror door almyra ironsafe on stand.

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SALE OF LANDED PROPERTIES AT ELEVENTH KAMATIPOORA STREET.

On TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, under the directions of Ebrahimbhai Lalji and Rajaballi Jan Mahomed, the Executors of the last will and testament of Bai Sonbai, the following properties, viz :—

FIRSTLY.—All that piece of Government ground, together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon, situates at Eleventh Kamatipoora Street, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 114 square yards or thereabouts, registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 4457, new No. 10956, old Survey No. 1-3998, and new Survey No. 6641, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward No. 1922, and Street, No. 4133, and bounded on the east by the house of Lingal Poshetti Pochaga, on the west by the house of Gulla Poleea on the north by the sweepers passage, and on the south by the Eleventh Kamtipoora Street aforesaid.

SECONDLY.—All that piece of Government ground together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon, situate lying and being at Eleventh Kamatipoora Street, outside the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Subdistrict of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 100 square yards or thereabouts, registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 4457, new No. 10956, old Survey No. 1-3993, and new Survey No. 6641, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under E Ward No 1923 and Street No. 45, and bounded on the east by the house of Lingal Poshetti Pochaya, on the west by the house of Gulla Polena on the north by the sweeper's passage, and on the south by the Eleventh Kamatipoora Street aforesaid.

For further particulaars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs Wadia and Ghandy, or to the undersigned.

SALE OF VALUABLE LAND AND BUNGALOWS AT RIPON ROAD.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co., Auctioneers, will, under instructions from the owners, the Executors of the late Mr. Jehanghir Hormusji Mody, sell off on the premises, by Public Auction, the undermentioned properties at 4 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of August, 1900.

All the properties will be put up in one lot first, and if not sold off in one lot, each lot will be sold separately.

LOT No. 1.

All that piece of land together with the messuages and Bungalow standing thereon, situate at Ripon Road, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 214 square yards, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the east by the Ripon Road, on the west by Lot No. 2, on the north by a common passage, and on the south by the property of Mahomedbhoy Rowjee, which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under E Ward Nos. 3731 (1), 3731 (2) and Street Nos. 2 and 2A, and are occupied by the tenants of the Vendors.

LOT No. 2.

All that piece of land together with the messuages and Bungalow standing thereon, situate at Ripon Road, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 784 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the east by Lot No. 1, on the west by Lot No. 3, on the north by a common passage, and on the south by the property of Mr. Mahomedbhoy Rowjee, which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under E Ward Nos. 3735 (1), 3735 (2), 3735 (3) and 3735 (4), and Street Nos. 3, 3A 3B and 3C, and are occupied by the tenants of the Vendors.

LOT No. 3.

All that piece of land together with the messuages and Bungalow standing thereon, situate at Ripon Road, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 468 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the east partly by Lot No. 2 and partly by a common passage, on the west by the property of Ardeshir B. Limboovalla, on the north by Lot No. 5, and on the south by the property of Mahomedbhoy Rowjee, which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under E Ward Nos. 3736 (1), 3736 (2) and 3736 (3), and Street Nos. 4, 4A, and 4B, and are occupied by the tenants of the Vendors.

LOT No. 4.

All that piece of land together with the messuages and Bungalow, shops and stable standing thereon, situate at Ripon Road, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 817 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the east by the Ripon Road, on the west by Lot No. 5, on the north by the property of Mrs. Lake, and on the south partly by a common passage and partly by Lot No. 5, which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes, under E Ward Nos. 3754 (1), 3754 (2), 3739 (1), 3739 (2), and 3739 (3), and Street Nos. 6, 6A, 8, 8A and 8B, and are occupied by the tenants of the Vendors.

LOT No. 5.

All that piece of vacant land situate at Ripon Road, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 613 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows:—that is to say, on the east by Lot No. 4, on the west by the property of Ardeshir B. Limboowalla, on the north by the property of Mrs. Lake, and on the south partly by Lot No. 3 and partly by a common passage, which said premises are in the possession of the Vendors.

For further particulars and conditions of sale and for inspection of the plan of the properties, application may be made to the undersigned, or to Messrs. Pestonjee Rustim and Kola, Attorneys for the Executors, at their office, No. 101, Medow Street, Fort, Bombay.

SALE OF LANDED PROPERTIES AT DELISLE ROAD AND AT MAHIM AGUR ROAD, NEAR PURBHADEVI.

Messrs CRAWFORD and Co., will sell by Public Auction on the premises, on the days hereunder mentioned, by order of the mortgagee and on account and at the risk of Chintamon Bhasker the Mortgagor in pursuance of the power of sale given in the Indenture of mortgage dated the 31st day of July, 1893, the following properties, viz.—

On FRIDAY, the 3rd day of August, 1900, at 4 p.m.,

LOT No. 1.

All that piece of Foras land together with the messuages, tenements, firewood and buffaloes' shed standing thereon, situate at Delisle Road, in the registration subdistrict of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 271 square yards or thereabouts, and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 726, new No. 12719 and 12721, and new Survey No. 1-2710, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Ward No. 2248 (?), and Street No. 294 A, and bounded on the east by the said Delisle Road on the south and west by the property of Greaves Cotton and Company, and on the north by the property of Tapidas and Co.,

On SATURDAY, the 4th day of August, 1900, at 4 p. m.

LOT No. 2.

All that piece of pension and tax land with the messuages tenements and stable standing thereon, situate at Mahim Agur Road, near Furbhadevi, in the Registration subdistrict of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 53? square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 42?, new No. 4211, old Survey No. 600 and new Survey No. 1-1717, and bounded on the east partly by the property of Bhai Ramchandraji and partly by the property of Wittoba Pandurangji, on the west by the public passage, on the north by the said Mahim Agur Road, and on the south by the property of the said Wittoba Pandurangji.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

On MONDAY, the 6th proximo, at 2 p. m, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of the Administrator General, the effects of the late Doolbaji Kopssaji, consisting of:—gold armlet, gold earing, silver karguti, studs, turban, wearing apparel, stone image, etc.

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Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld.	400	500	500	5 pr ct	51
Bombay Flour Mill	000	500	500	55	750
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000	500	500	5 pr ct	20
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills	500	200	200	dvdRs10	170
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co., Ld.	2,000	250	250	9 p 16	520
Empire of India Life A. Co., Ld	292	500	50	...	56
Indian Guarantee Surety Ship Assn.	5,000	00	10	10 pr. ct.	18
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	180
Kemp & Co.	4,000	200	175	21	373
Kurrachee Landing	500	500	300	30	183
Marcks & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs15	138
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	1	9 pr. ct.	25
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	0	...	60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance	5,000	200	0	12 pr. ct.	118xd
Phillips & Co. Ld.	4,000	100	50	dvd Rs 6	25
Port Canning Co.	6,000	000	100	25	550
Soundy & Co	1,000	100	1,000	5	2½xd
Treacher & Co.	2,000	500		51	980
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100		dvd Rs 8	156
Telephone Co.	2,200	251	100	1½	27½

PRICES OF BULLION.

Sovereigns	Rs.15-
Carolas	—
Mexican Dollars	,, 69-4
Gold Five-Franc Pieces	,,
Bar Silver	,, 68-12 rd. 69 fd.
Gold Leaf	,, 4-62
Bar Gold, English (... touch)	,, 23-15-0
Bar Australian	,, 24-6
Bar Bombay	,, 2-5
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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 35m. Sun sets, 6h. 37m. High water 0-10-a. Low water, 5-9m., 6-3a.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamers Yarra and Simla left the dock yesterday.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamers City of Lucknow, Maroa, and Croydon entered and the Hired Transports Lawada and Zamania left the dock yesterday.

DEATH OF A MUNICIPAL SERVANT.—Yesterday, Mr. David Aaron, a sub-inspector of the Municipality, died from cholera. He had been in the service of the Corporation for thirteen years.

ARRIVAL OF A NATIVE CHIEF.—The Raja of Nagpore, accompanied by forty followers, carrying five guns and four swords, arrived in Bombay on Wednesday. He has taken up his residence in Jatha Calliansee's bungalow, Warden Road.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for Colombo, the Straits Settlements, China, Japan and Australia, per s. s. Parramatta, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the 31st inst.—Mails for St. Mare, Tamatave, Reunion and Mauritius, via Tuticorin and Colombo, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 7 p. m., on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 31st inst. and 1st proximo, respectively.

BREACH OF THE ABKARI ACT.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, one Vishnoo Kondaji, a Hindu, was charged, at the instance of Mr. A. S. Sabanalla, an abkari inspector, before Mr. W. Webb, with importing a pint of country liquor from Bandora to Bombay, without a permit from the Collector of Bombay. The accused was arrested at the Dadur station with the pint of liquor concealed under his dhotur. He was fined Rs. 10.

THE QUETTA DIRECTORY for 1900 has just been issued. Besides containing the usual lists of officials and residents, the volume is something also of a guide book to Baluchistan and gives an account of the progress of education in that country. There are also photographs of the Viceroy and the late Lieut.-Colonel G. Gaisford, the Political Agent and Deputy Commissioner of Thal Chotiali, who was murdered in Swallan, near Loralai, in March, 1898.

MUSIC AT ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry Marine Battalion will play the following programme, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, band-master, commencing at 5 p.m. (weather permitting):—

March	Prodana Nevesta	Smetana.
Intermezzo	On the Road to Moscow	Paul de Loetz.
Selection	Rip Van Winkle	Planquette.
Valse	Monte Cristo	Kotler.
Selection	La Cigale	Audran & Caryll
Polka	Ionian	Wardroper.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

CHINAMEN ON THE WAR-PATH.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Superintendent Lee Smith charged Leongfut, a Chinaman, with wilful disobedience of lawful commands, and Lo Hung, another Chinaman, with committing an assault on Mr. M. Watling, second officer of the s. s. Bullmanth. The complainant stated that, on the 23rd instant, he ordered the first accused to take a rope to No. 6 winch, which the latter refused to do. On the complainant reprimanding him, the accused grappled with him and the second accused threw a pot of black paint at him. The accused, who denied the truth of the complaint laid against, were each sentenced to seven days' rigorous imprisonment.

TRESPASS AND ASSAULT.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Shahbudin Sheik Amir was charged by Inspector Flanagan with committing trespass in the house of one Mrs. Rachel Isaac. The evidence showed that, on Wednesday night, Mr. Simon Morris, the complainant, was on a visit to his aunt, Mrs. Rachel Isaac, residing at Frere Road. While there he heard some noise in the kitchen, and on going there to see what had happened he saw the accused assaulting the cookwoman with his clenched fist. He was drunk at the time. The accused admitted having struck the woman, who, he said, was his wife. He was sentenced to ten days' rigorous imprisonment.

ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SUICIDE.—Before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, a Hindu woman, named Mooktee, was charged with attempting to commit suicide by drowning herself in a well. The accused was the wife of Baboo Appa, a mill-hand, and resided with her husband at Chinchpoogly. On Tuesday evening, Mooktee drew her pay Rs. 3-8 from the mill, where she was employed, but gave her husband only Rs. 3. When the latter came to know that the woman had kept back eight annas out of the pay, he became angry with her and gave her a beating. The accused ran out of the house and threw herself into a well close by. The neighbours on hearing the splash, ran to the well and one Gainoo Narayen jumped in and rescued the woman from drowning. The accused stated that she intended to commit suicide, because she was beaten by her husband. She, however, promised not to do the rash act again. The magistrate sentenced the accused to pay a fine of Rs. 30, or in default to suffer fifteen days' imprisonment.

A NEGLIGENT HOUSE-BUILDER.

AT the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Choake charged Jetharam Mulji, a sub-contractor, engaged in the construction of a large building in Apollo Street, Fort, with doing a rash and negligent act, and thereby causing hurt to one Rattan, a Hindu woman, and her little child, aged five years. Mr. De Souza, pleader, appeared for the accused. The evidence showed that on Wednesday, at about one o'clock in the afternoon, while the woman and her child were sitting on a side of the public road near the building in the course of erection, a large wooden plank, about four feet six inches in length, nine inches wide, and two inches thick, fell from a scaffolding about forty-five feet high. It struck the woman and the child on the head, rendering them unconscious for the time. They were afterwards removed to the Goculdas Hospital. Mr. De Souza urged that the accused was not responsible for what had happened. It was a pure accident. The board was firmly secured with ropes, which had become rotten by the rain. The woman and the child had no business to sit where they were found. It was urged on behalf of the prosecution that the plank fell on the public road and could have struck any one who happened to be passing at the time. The magistrate held that the accused was responsible for the injuries, no matter whether the persons were seated on the public road, or on the grounds of the house. Fortunately for him he had escaped a more serious charge. The accused was fined Rs. 50, out of which Rs. 10 were ordered to be paid to the complainant for compensation.

UNDELIVERED LETTERS.

THE following is a list of unclaimed letters lying at the Bombay General Post Office:—

Baronian L S Iplicjian	Hilton A	Reen R L
Boyd, W H	Huey, A W Miss	Romanoff B
Bradgate G H	Johnstones, A	Slattery John W
Brown George	Joncourt Blanche Mrs	Suddaby J
Crary W P	Lacoste Albert	Sukardas Naranjandas
Daidanik Lowa	Luke R G	Taylor D Mascie
Davidson N	Mallette P O	Temple Harris
Dawson W J	Pais A	Travis Helen Miss
Enfield M	Pinto J F	Tufts Gorham
Gibson J	Quaintaine V	Valakeny John
Hillbrandt Axel	Randel A	

THE race for the Queen's Challenge Cup, the event of the year in the up-river sailing world, was decided on June 20 in the fine sailing reach at Bourne End. A large fashionable company watched the racing from the lawn and club house of the Upper Thames Sailing Club, where a string band played a selection of music. The racing was favoured by a splendid breeze from the south-west. Thirteen of the fastest boats on the river competed for the coveted trophy, and the start was a very picturesque sight. Mr. T. Foster Knowles's Ulva quickly secured the lead, and being splendidly handled all through the race, won the cup for the second year in succession. Messrs. Jackson and Marsden's Dora was second and Messrs. Watney and Ricardo's Tigercat third. Only three other boats finished. The Ulva has also secured the Champion Cup, having won four of the five first-class races at Bourne End this week.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS?—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, it softens the gums, alays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere at 1s. 1½d. per bottle

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HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE TYEBJEE.)

ALLEGED COLLUSION IN PURCHASE OF A HOUSE.

PREMJEE KAPURCHAND VS. KARIMBUX ALI AND ANOTHER.

HIS LORDSHIP delivered judgment. This suit was brought by the plaintiff for a declaration that the agreement of the 10th July 1899 was entered into by the first defendant as agent of the plaintiff, and that the plaintiff is entitled to the benefit and specific performance thereof; that the second defendant may be ordered to perform the agreement specifically, the plaintiff being willing to perform his part; also to recover Rs. 10,895-0-0 as damages for loss of interest, &c. Mr. Starling and Mr. Raikes, instructed by Messrs. Hiralal, Mulla and Mulla, appeared for the plaintiff; and the Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Davar, instructed by Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, appeared for the defendants.

His Lordship, in giving his dicision, said, the material questions were whether Karimbux was acting in the transaction as principal or agent; whether Premjee could obtain conveyance of the property in dispute without the consent of Karimbux; whether there was any thing in the subsequent contract which Premjee recognised; and whether Nanabhai Anupram or Karimbux could resell the property without the consent of Premjee. After stating the facts of the case, which have been already reported, his Lordship said it was clear that Rs. 1,000 were paid by Premjee, also the Rs. 2,000 subsequently paid. It appeared the purchase was not made by Karimbux on his own behalf. Even the "battaki" was beaten on the 2nd September in the name of Premjee. His lordship held therefore that Karimbux was not really the purchaser, but was acting on behalf of Premjee; and so far Nanabhai Anupram could not be compelled to convey against Karimbux's wishes. On the 25th September, the parties met at the office of Messrs. Captain and Vaidya, when the costs were paid and it was arranged that the conveyance should be made out in the name of Premjee. On the 15th September, Karimbux had written that the conveyance should be made to Premjee. After Jaycore's claim had been released, either Karimbux or Nanabhai, or both, raised some difficulties about Premjee. Neither could, his Lordship said, withdraw from the agreement previously made; and for which there was ample consideration. In his Lordship's opinion, it was too late for Nanabhai to refue to execute the conveyance to Premjee. A decree was, therefore, given for specific performance of the agreement, directing Nanabhai to execute the conveyance to Premjee on receipt of Rs. 7,400. Nanabhai Anupram and Karimbux were directed to pay Premjee's costs in both suits, that is the present suit and the suit brought by Nanabhai against Karimbux.

COMMISSION AGENTS FOR PIECEGOODS.

HUSSAMBHOY VISRAM AND OTHERS VS. KALIDAS VEERCHAND AND OTHERS.

THE plaintiffs in this case are Hassambhoy Visram, Fazalbhoy Visram, and Hajibhai Visram, trading under the name of Visram Ebrahim and Company; and the defendants are Kalidas Virchand, Kalidas Pragjee, Dossa Thackersey, &c. The plaintiffs prayed that the first four defendants may be decreed to deliver to them the goods entrusted by them to the fifth defendant for sale, and pledged by him to the first defendant, upon payment to the first four defendants for the monies advanced against the goods, with interest and charges; that it may be declared that the plaintiffs are entitled to the goods free of any lien on the part of the fifth defendant; that an account may be taken, &c. The Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Rivett-Carnac, instructed by Messrs. Crawford, Brown and Co. appeared for the plaintiffs. Mr. Raikes and Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, appeared for the first four defendants; and Mr. Branson and Mr. Gazdar, instructed by Messrs. Bhaishanker and Kanga, for the fifth defendant.

It was stated in the plaint that they are merchants carrying on business in Bombay. In August 1898, the second defendant was acting as their commission agent in Bombay for the sale of piece-goods in a shop in Muljee Jaitha Market. On the 13th August 1898, plaintiffs wrote to him informing him that they had appointed him their commission agent for sale of country-made cloth, and that he was at liberty to raise money for them on the cloth in his own name. The second defendant from time to time obtained advances from first defendant upon the pledge of the cloth entrusted to him by the plaintiffs for sale. The advances were made by first defendant by cheques payable to the plaintiffs' order; and the first defendant was aware that those advances were made on the plaintiffs' account. In November 1898, plaintiffs took over charge of the shop in which the second defendant had been selling their cloth and dismissed him from their employment as commission agent. On the 23rd November 1898, plaintiffs informed the first defendant that they had taken over charge of the second defendant's shop from him, and requested him to open an account in their name. In reply plaintiffs were informed by the first defendant that the second defendant had asked him to refuse to allow the plaintiffs to clear the cloth account standing in his name. In the correspondence which ensued, the second defendant falsely stated that the goods which had been pledged with the first defendant were goods upon which he had a lien for monies due to him by the plaintiffs. In December 1898, plaintiffs called upon the first defendant to give delivery to them of the goods, promising to pay with interest whatever might be due upon them. In reply the first defendant said he could not do anything in the matter without the second defendant's consent. Plaintiffs subsequently made up the accounts of the first and second defendants. To the former they tendered Rs. 18,800 and demanded delivery of the goods pledged by the latter. To the second defendant they wrote, stating that they had made up his account with them, showing the balance due to them of Rs. 29,34-14-0, immediate payment of which sum was demanded. In reply the second defendant enclosed a statement of accounts, stating that upwards of Rs. 3,000 were due to him by the plaintiffs; and that unless this amount was paid to him forthwith, he would ask the first defendant to sell the goods at the risk of the plaintiffs. In June 1899, letters passed between the parties, shewing that the first defendant stipulated that the plaintiffs should pay to him the balance due at the foot of the second defendant's account, and indeminfy him against any claim of the second defendant, whereas the plaintiff were unwilling to pay to first defendant any sum in excess of Rs. 18,800, under protest, as previously intimated by them.

The defendants Kalidas Virchand and Kalidas Pragjee, by their written statement, said the defendant Dossa Thakersey borrowed Rs. 23,000 from them on the security of 215 bales of piece-goods and executed an agreement in favour of their firm on the 22nd August 1898. Cheques for the amount were drawn on the National Bank in favour of the plaintiffs at the express request of Dossa Thackersey. These defendants said they had nothing to do with the disputes existing between the plaintiffs and Dossa Thackersey. The latter forbade these defendants from delivering the piece-goods to any one without his written authority, as he claimed a lien on them against the plaintiffs. As Dossa Thackersey failed to pay the monies due to these defendants and to redeem the remaining goods, they were about to sell the same on his account when the plaintiffs filed this suit and obtained an injunction against these defendants. They submitted that the tender of Rs. 18,800, made by the plaintiffs to them, being insufficeint and conditional, was no good tender in law. In October 1899, these defendants, having obtained the consent of Dossa Thackersey, offered to deliver to the plaintiffs the said goods on payment to them of the sum of Rs. 20,449-3-5, due by them to Dossa Thackersey; but the plaintiffs refused to accept the offer.

The plaintiffs in another suit filed by them against Dossa Thackersey, claimed to recover Rs. 2,934-14-0, balance due by him at the foot of his agency account with them, and Rs. 3,968-2-3 for charges, godown rent, &c., making Rs. 6,903-3-0-3. Dossa Thackersey, by his written statement, said that in June 1897, plaintiff's employed him as their commission agent for the sale of certain piece-goods at his shop in the Mungaldas Market, including their own piece-goods; as well as their broker for negotiating loans on the pledge of goods. Defendant acted as such commission agent till November 1898, when plaintiffs induced him to make over to them charge of his shop in the Muljee Jaitha Market, and the agency business and books of account, promising to settle his account immediately thereafter, and to pay him the balance due. Relying upon the promise, defendant parted with the goods and books in his possession; but the plaintiffs failed to carry out their promise.

The two suits above referred to, were tried together; and the hearing of evidence on the accounts, &c., was proceeded with.

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THE WEATHER.

Messrs. Greaves Cotton and Co. have received the following information by wire yesterday:—

Broach.—Days and nights unusually hot. Weather has cleared. It is now fine. Heavy rain yesterday at Amode and Jumbusar districts.

Bhownugger.—There is a change in the weather for the worse. Rain much needed generally. Unusually hot. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

Wudhwan.—It rained yesterday in surrounding districts. No rain here.

Veeramgaum.—No rain since last reports.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 25th JULY.

Amritsar.—Cloudy, but no rain. Crop prospects unchanged.

Ferozpur.—Bright, no sign of rain. More rain wanted generally.

Multan.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton plants in flower. Food-grains doing well. Crop prospects generally good.

Delhi.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants continue to show more improvement.

Agra.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants want more rain.

Cawnpore.—Bright, no sign of rain. Crop prospects generally good.

Beavar.—Cloudy, but no rain. More rain wanted generally.

Amraoti.—Seasonable. Cotton larger area sown this year.

Khamgaon.—Unusually hot. Cotton plants flourishing. Food-grains sowing has made fair progress.

Dhulia.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally.

Jalgaon.—Cloudy, but no rain. Dry here, but raining in the surrounding districts. Cotton plants flourishing satisfactorily and want more rain.

Broach.—Bright, no sign of rain. South-westerly wind. Unusually hot. Rain much needed generally. Cotton plants seriously damaged by drought. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

Viramgaum.—Rain so far insufficient to enable agricultural operations getting a fair start. Looks like clearing up. More rain wanted generally.

Wadhwan.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain so far insufficient to enable agricultural operations getting a fair start. Looks like rain. Dry here, but raining in the surrounding districts. Weather sultry. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

Dholera.—Looks like rain. Rain much needed generally.

Bhownager.—Bright, no sign of rain. Unusually hot. Rain much needed generally. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

Barsi.—Continues cloudy. Looks like rain. Cotton plants flourishing. Crop prospects generally good.

Hubli.—Continues cloudy with slight drizzle. Food-grains doing well.

Bellary.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally. Food-grains sowing backward.

RAIN AT GODHRA.

A correspondent writes:—About 2 inches and 86 cents rain fell here on Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. The weather was cloudy on Wednesday and rain seemed likely to fall.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, JULY 26.

Thursday:—Barometer has been steady or has risen slightly in Punjab, Sind and Burma, and has fallen briskly along hills, in North-East India and in parts of Central Provinces, Bombay and Central India and has been steady or has fallen slightly elsewhere. Pressure is in slight defect at the west and south of the Peninsula and continues in large excess in Northern India. A shallow depression is lying over the parts of the North-Western Provinces and north Behar. Temperature has fallen very rapidly in Rajputana and briskly to rapidly in Punjab and Burma, but has risen, generally elsewhere. Mean temperature is eight degrees above normal in Berar, six in Central Provinces, and five in Bombay Deccan. Rain has increased in Burma and East Bengal, and showers have fallen in other parts of Bengal. Upper India, hills, west of North-Western Provinces, east Punjab Baluchistan, Delhi and Quetta have received one inch. Moderate rain has fallen on the west coast and showers have fallen in Central India, Rajputana, Deccan and Madras. Mangalore Karwar, Goa, Negapatam and Poona have received three inches. Sutna, Kurnool and Salem one inch and Udaipur half-an-inch.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 26TH OF JULY.

1. The barometric readings are corrected to Calicut standard, reduced to the same temperature Mo and also to the sea level and corrected to the constant gravity, at Lat. 45.
2. The 2nd column under the head 'Wind' gives the average motion of the air in miles per hour during the past 24 hours, and is obtained by dividing the total number of miles of wind registered by an anemometer during the previous 24 hours by 24.
3. The temperatures given in the table are of the air in the shade or in a small shade with open sides and a thatched or straw roof. The maximum (max.) and minimum (min.) temperatures are the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours preceding 8 a.m.
4. The humidity is given as a percentage expressing rate of the actual amount of moisture in the air to the amount required to saturate it.

STATIONS.	Pressure, 8 A.M.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Rate per hour.	Temperature in shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Temperature in shade. Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity, 8 A.M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours.	Rainfall. Since 1st June to date.	Rainfall. Variation, 1st June to date.
Lahore	29·635	E	6	106·0	85·0	64	..	1·60	−5·83
Sirsa	29·611	SSW	2	102·8	83·0	76	...	0·61	−5·12
Delhi	29·668	Calm	2	88·2	75·5	79	1·02	5·12	−6·22
Agra	29·637	Calm	4	94·0	83·4	68	...	4·17	−7·62
Cawnpore	29·659	NNE	1	93·4	81·1	91	...	6·86	...
Allahabad	29·638	SW	1	92·	81·3	78	..	5·87	−10·35
Jhansi	29·685	Calm	2	94·2	82·2	79	0·01	5·07	−10·02
Jacobabad	29·665	Calm	2	107·1	85·5	51	...	0·00	−1·12
Karachi	29·661	WNW	10	94·9	85·3	67	...	0·0	−3·25
Jeypore	29·687	Calm	2	?	82·1	68	0·76	9·71	−0·50
Ajmere	29·686	Calm	2	89·4	79·6	77	0·07	2·41	−6·13
Deesa	29·648	N	6	97·1	83·6	60	0·09	0·69	−10·47
Ahmedabad	29·612	NNW	1	100·3	83·1	65	...	1·99	..
Bhuj	29·656	N	8	100·3	79·9	75	0·09	0·11	−7·83
Jamnagar	29·668	NNW	8	98·1	78·7	82	0·13	0·13	...
Rajkot	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bhownagar Para	29·645	NW	?	100·6	81·8	64	...	2·57	..
Veraval	29·646	NE	8	86·6	81·3	73	...	0·23	...
Neemuch	?	Calm	5	89·5	75·5	83	...	8·68	−3·97
Indore	29·667	Calm	0	89·8	75·1	76	...	8·70	−5·63
Saugor	29·685	E	1	87·4	76·1	87	0·07	11·64	−8·25
Jubulpore	29·658	S	2	92·0	78·1	90	...	13·05	−13·31
Hoshangabad	29·679	NE	3	96·6	79·2	76	...	16·39	−6·80
Khandwa	29·653	Calm	2	95·2	75·6	72	...	10·87	−3·12
Raipur	29·685	Calm	2	93·4	80·5	78	...	17·50	−5·48
Nagpur	29·665	Calm	2	93·7	79·6	84	...	16·15	−5·57
Amraoti	29·681	SSE	5	95·7	78·8	76	...	8·92	−7·42
Akola	29·652	E	3	98·3	75·8	68	0·04	10·47	−4·46
Surat	29·658	S	0	96·7	80·1	70	...	4·42	−21·43
Malegaon	29·64	SSE	5	93·4	77·1	65	0·01	5·66	−3·49
Bombay	29·662	ESE	7	88·3	80·0	83	0·01	32·67	−11·39
Poona	29·633	SW	8	93·5	71·9	84	2·68	11·05	+0·42
Ahmednagar	29·686	N	4	87·9	71·9	76	...	10·19	...
Aurangabad	29·661	Calm	5	89·8	71·7	71	0·35	13·59	...
Sholapur	29·741	SW	8	93·2	74	70	...	8·37	−0·76
Ratnagiri	29·654	SE	7	89·9	77·9	81	0·02	5·96	−11·99
Belgaum	29·697	S	12	81·3	68·3	92	0·08	29·45	+8·44
Goa	29·763	W	9	83·5	74·9	93	2·24	59·61	...
Karwar	29·731	W	3	82·7	74·0	86	3·38	95·95	+24·24
Mangalore	29·769	Calm	3	82·8	72·9	86	2·98	80·88	+14·16
Calicut	29·794	Calm	12	82·7	74·0	94	0·17	60·09	+1·47
Cochin	29·815	SSE	...	84·4	73·7	91	0·20	41·85	−4·60
Bangalore	29·772	SW	8	83·8	66·8	92	0·44	6·95	−0·15
Secunderabad	29·685	Calm	2	93·6	75·4	78	...	3·88	−1·98
Masulipatam	29·679	Calm	7	93·1	78·6	83	0·02	6·66	−3·22
Bellary	29·727	Calm	3	92·2	75·2	61	..	4·24	+0·64
Cuddapah	29·710	W	6	96·1	78·9	74	..	4·64	−2·34
Madras	29·675	W	5	95·0	78·9	78	...	3·24	−2·16
Coimbatore	29·739	SW	3	88·9	69·1	90	0·04	3·50	+1·94
Trichinopoly	29·708	W	8	96·6	76·4	76	...	3·69	+0·70
Negapatam	29·706	W	4	93·0	73·4	91	3·12	4·63	+1·14
Colombo	29·817	W	10	87·0	77·0	84	..	14·24	+2·12
Aden (24th)	29·572	SW	10	89·8	80·8	69	...	00·0	−0·01

In column "Wind Rate per hour," L=Light, M=Moderate, F=Fresh, S=Strong, H=Heavy.

Bombay Local Rainfall:—J. J. H.=0·05 (31·24); G. T. H.=0·05 (32·04); St. G. H.=0·03 (31·26); C. P.=0·01 (32·67).

SUMMARY.

There has been a brisk fall of pressure in Rajputana, Central India and at Agra, Cawnpore, Aallahabad, Saugor, Khandwa, Nagpur, Amraoti, Akola, Surat, Malegaon and Ahmednagar, and slight changes elsewhere. Readings are nearly uniform over the country lying to the north of Latitude 16°, while the baric gradients are moderate to the south of that parallel.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been generally light.

The maximum temperature is from 5° to 15° in excess of normal in Berar, the Central Provinces, Central India, Gujarat, Lower Sind, Rajputana and at Jhansi, Ratnagiri, Poona and Belgaum, and the minimum 5° to 7° in excess at Karachi, Deesa, Malegaon, Khandwa, Amraoti, Nagpur, and Raipur. The highest temperature in the shade was 107° at Jacobabad and the lowest 67° at Bangalore.

Humidity changes are unimportant and the skies are cloudy to overcast in Mysore, the Madras Presidency, on the Malabar Coast and at Karwar, Goa, Belgaum, Surat, Nagpur, Jubbulpore, Ajmere, Jhansi and Cawnpore.

Heavy rain has fallen at Karwar (3·38"), Negapatam (3·12"), Mangalore (2·98"), Poona (2·68") and Goa (2·24"); over an inch at Delhi (1·02"); about three-quarters of an inch at Jeypore; about half an inch at Bangalore; about a quarter of an inch at Aurangabad, Calicut, and Cochin; and very light showers at Jhansi Ajmere Deesa, Bhuj, Saugor, Akola, Malegaon, Bombay, Ratnagiri, Belgaum, Masulipatam and Coimbatore.

The abnormal chart indicates a small area of low pressure at and in the neighbourhood of Ratnagri, and the winds round about it are cyclonic. The weather is hence slightly unsettled on and off the West Coast between Karwar and Veraval. The monsoon gradient is fairly normal on the West Coast between Cochin and Ratnagiri, where the weather is favourable for rain. In Gujarat and the Bombay Presidency a few local scattered showers accompanied by thunder and lightning are likely.

G. L. TOWERS,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In. Cts.		Esp'lade. In. Cts.		Fort. In. Cts.		Colaba In. Cts.	
Previously registered	32	68	32	18	31	28	32	64
Thursday, 26th July	0	0	0	5	0	3	0	1
Total	32	68	32	23	31	31	32	65
Total fall to July 26th 1899	23	17	24	58	29	89	26	77
Total fall to July 25th 1898	48	69	49	30	49	15	46	03

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 6 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Esplanade and Fort, from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m.

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	In.	Cts.
Previously registered	28	96
From 6 a.m. to 6 a.m. 26th July	0	04
Total	29	00

MATHERAN.

	In.	Cts.
Previously registered	66	45
Tuesday, 24th July	0	50
Total	66	95

DAMAUN.

	In.	Cts.
Previously registered	18	70
Tuesday, 24th July	0	10
Total	18	80
Total up to 24th July, 1899	22	31

G. I. P. R. LINE.

Return of Rainfall at the following Stations up to week ending Friday, 20th July, 1900:—

	In.	Cts.		In.	Cts.
Jubbulpore	14	80	Nasik	7	20
Raver	7	30	Deolali	8	8
Nimbora	9	25	Ghoti	23	21
Bhadli	9	54	Nargaon	7	78
Jalgaon	9	67	Warangaon	6	88
Sirsoli	10	13	Hotgi	12	41
Mhasawad	7	98	Mohol	14	90
Maheji	10	10	Madha	8	85
Pachora	12	31	Barsi Road	6	18
Kajgaon	4	82	Kem	9	20
Chalisgaon	10	5	Jeur	7	31
Naydongri	10	19	Pomalwari	5	98
Nandgaon	10	10	Biksal	5	81
Munmar	4	97	Lonauli	65	96
Lasalgaon	14	18	Dhond	4	48
Khervadi	4	33	Talegaon	12	27

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 26th July, 1900.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. 4 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 dex. Fah. ...inches	29·682
Temperature of the Air ...degrees	83·8
Wet Bulb Thermometer	79·5
Dew Point	78·0
Relative humidity of Air	0·831
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded =1)	4·2
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a.m.) next day ...degrees	88·3
Minimum do. do. (read at 8 a.m.)	79·6
General Directions of wind*	ESE, E, W, WSW, ESE.
Movement of Wind in 24 hours* ...miles	192
Fall of Rain	0·01
Total fall during month	14·39
" " year	32·65
Additional fall of rain up to 8 a.m. of 26th	0·00

*From midnight to midnight.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Director, Government Observatory.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.—JULY 25.

10 p.m.	82·4

THURSDAY—JULY 26.

6 a.m.	80·2
10 a.m.	85·7
2 p.m.	86·2
4 p.m.	86·7

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, July 26.)

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council was pleased to appoint the Hon Mr W H Crowe Barrister at Law I C S to act as a Judge of H M's High Court of Judicature at Bombay from the 1st to the 7th June 1900 both days inclusive.

It is notified that the Hon Mr William Henry Crowe Barrister at Law I C S assumed the execution of the duties of his office as a Judge of H M's High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 1st June 1900 in the forenoon.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Major G B O'Donnell B A (Oxon) I S C to be Administrator of the Radhanpur State vice Lieut Col M T Lyde I S C deceased.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr C A Kincaid I C S to be Judicial Asst to the Political Agent Kathiawar vice Mr M H W Hayward LL B (Cantab) I C S.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments vice the Hon Mr W H Crowe Barrister at Law I C S:—Mr M P Khareghat I C S to be first grade Judge and Sessions Judge; Mr H L Hervey I C S to be second grade Judge and Sessions Judge; and Mr M H W Hayward LL B (Cantab) I C S, to be third grade Judge and Sessions Judge.

Rao Saheb Atmaram Balwant Bawdekar Mamlatdar taluka Malvan in the district of Ratnagiri is appointed to be a Magistrate of the second class in that district.

Mr B C H Calcraft-Kennedy I C S acting Registrar of H M's High Court of Judicature Appellate Side Bombay is granted leave on medical certificate for one year from the 15th July 1900.

Rao Saheb Manohar Vishnu Kathavate Subordinate Judge Parner in the district of Ahmednagar is appointed to be a Magistrate of the first class in that district and is invested with additional powers specified.

Mr T D Fry I C S acting Dist Judge Ahmedabad is granted furlough for six months from the 28th July 1900 or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

Rao Saheb Ramchandra Sadashiv Athwale acting Mamlatdar taluka Peint in the district of Nasik is appointed to be a Magistrate of the second class in that district.

The Governor in Council is pleased to accept the resignation by Khan Bahadur Byramji Dadabhoy of the office of Delegate of the Parsi Chief Matrimonial Court at Bombay.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Rao Saheb Wadhumal Gangaram to act as Judge of the Small Cause Court Karachi during the absence of Mr Van der Straaten on leave or pending further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to confirm the appointment made by the Hon the Chief Justice of H M's High Court of Judicature at Bombay of Mr K F Modi B A L L B to act as Registrar of the High Court Appellate Side with effect from the 21st July 1900 or until further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments during the absence on leave of Mr J Sanders Slater B A Cantab Barrister at Law or pending further orders:—Mr W C Webb Barrister at Law to act as Chief Presidency Magistrate and Revenue Judge; Mr Phiroze Hoshang Dastur M A Bom to act as Second Presidency Magistrate; and Mr Mahomed Ali Jinnah Barrister at Law to act as Third Presidency Magistrate.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to invest Mr A E L Emanuel I C S Asst Collr and Magistrate of the first class in the district of Ahmedabad with additional powers specified.

The Governor in Council is pleased to specially authorise Azam Rajaram Narayan Moharikar second class Magistrate Bandra in the district of Thana to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to appoint the undermentioned gentlemen to be Special Magistrates, and to invest them with the powers of a Magistrate of the third class in the areas mentioned against their names:—Mr Girdharlal Bhawanidas the Municipal limits of the town of Dholka in the Ahmedabad Dist; and Mr Sursangji Dajiraj, villages of Dhingda, Bhumli, Arnej, Jawarej, Gundi Lola, Utelia, Saragwada, Samani, Bholad, Moti Boru and Nani Boru in the Ahmedabad Dist.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Mr J Mollison Depy Director of Agriculture has been allowed privilege leave of absence for two months and eighteen days with effect from 23rd June.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Pestonji Rustomji Mehta M R A C to act as Depy Director of Agriculture in addition to his own duties during the absence on leave of Mr J Mollison M R A C or pending further orders.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the following gentlemen to act as Inspectors under the Glanders and Farcy Act for the whole of the City of Bombay:—Mr P D'Souza G B V C to act for Mr J F Valladares with effect from 11th July 1900; and Mr J M C Retello G B V C to act for Mr C J Nathani from or after 16th July 1900.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to confirm Rao Bahadur Raghvendra Shamrao Baitmangalkar in his appointment of sixth grade Depy Collector.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Rev W A Dickins Chaplain of Kirkee is granted special leave on urgent private affairs for six months from the 11th Aug or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT (PLAGUE.)

The services of Lieut S O Hall R A M C are replaced at the disposal of the Govt of India in the Home Dept.

The services of Capt H G Maxwell I S C are replaced at the disposal of the Govt of India in the Home Dept.

The services of the following Commissioned Medical officers have been replaced at the disposal of the Govt of India in the Home Dept:—Capts E F K Baines I M S, N R J Rainier I M S, and W G Richards I M S; and Lieut E F G Tucker I M S.

BOMBAY UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATIONS.

The Vishvanath Narayan Mandlik Gold Medal.—The following subject has been selected by the Syndicate for competitive Essays in English for the above medal in 1901:—"A Comparison of Aryan Manners and Morals as disclosed in the Great Epics Ramayan and Mahabharat."

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 26.

LONDON, July 25.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	£97 9-16	unchanged.
3 per cent Rentes	£99 3-4	"
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	£106	"
3 1-2 per cent. Govt. Securities	£62 1-2—1-8]	"
Bar Silver in London	27 3-4—5-16	
Do in New York	60 3-8—7-8	
Exchange on London at Paris	25 14 1-2—1-2	
Do on New York	4 87 5-8	unchanged.
Discount Bank of England, 4 per cent.		"
Do Short London Bills 4 per cent.		"
Do Indian Bank Bills, 4 1-4 per cent. plus 1-8		

COUNCILS ALLOTMENTS.

	Rs.	
Council Bills to Calcutta	10,000	at 1-3 29-42
" to Bombay	10,000	at 1-3 29-32
" to Madras	30,000	at 1-3 29-32
Council T. T. to Calcutta	2,00,000	at 1-3 15-16

EXTRAS.

Bills on Bombay	30,000	at 1-3 29 32
" on Madras	11,00,000	at 1-3 29 32

Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 20,00,000

EXCHANGE.—Our market opened steady this morning with most Banks quoting 1s. 3 7-8d. Wire, and 1s. 3 29-32d. Demand. One Bank however was a seller at 1s. 32d. higher, and the general rate soon became 1s. 3 29-32d. Wire and 1s. 3 15-16d. Demand. A small amount of Demand was done for August at 1s. 3 31-32d. For Bills 1s. 4 3-16d. was the best rate obtainable, but few if any were offering. We quote :—

Bank T. T.	1s. 3 29-32d.
Bank D. D.	1s. 3 15 16d.
3 Months' Credits	1s. 4 3-16
" Francs	169 3-4
30 dys' Japan	148 1-2
" Hongkong	146
" Shanghai	197

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—Under the influence of a decline in London of 1-8 our market opened weak at Rs. 94 3-16 for the Settlement. It rose to Rs. 94 1-4 and then declined again to Rs. 94 1-8, at which rate we close. Very few transactions are reported.

STOCKS AND SHARES.—Owing to the death of a broker the market has been closed to-day.

FREIGHTS.—The market is very steady, but little or no business is passing. A small lot of cotton for Havre was done at 17s. by Madagascar.

COALS.—The market is very strong, especially for near delivery, which is scarce. A small lot of esbarghur for August delivery was placed at Rs. 16-8. A lot of 1000 to 1,500 tons Nimmo's Longrigg arrived per City of Lucknow is reported to have been taken by Government at a rate which has not transpired, but is supposed to be Rs. 19. For Seebpore there are buyers at Rs. 14.-12. but no sellers. Bird's Navigation delivery, 1900, is offered at Rs. 13-12 but no hugers at the rate. A lot of 400 tons Muir's ex Clan Murray has been placed at Rs. 14-4 near delivery.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.—There is no change to report in this market which is quiet but steady. Owing to a metting among the dealers, the market has been practically closed to-day.

COTTON.—The market is very quiet to-day, and there is no doubt that sellers would reduce their rates if it would attract business, but there is an almost total absence of demand from both Mills and Export firms. Westerns are easier at Rs. 215 ready and Rs. 218 August. New crops are quieter. We quote Broach for delivery 25 March at Rs. 227, and Bengals for delivery 25 January at Rs. 187.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet. Manchester was quiet. Total Sales 4,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for export 500 bales. Imports 6,000 bales. Surats nil. Spot 5 27-32d. unchanged. Arrivals closed quiet.

Mid.-Uplands in Liverpool—

July	July-Aug.	Oct.-Nov.	Jan.-Feb.
5·39	5·34	4·47	4·36
	unchd.	plus 2	plus 2

In New York—

Receipts at the Ports	6,000 bales.
" Last year	4,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	nil
" to Continent	nil
Mid.-Uplands	10 1-8 unchanged
Futures, month of August	9·28—11
" " of December	8·21— 7

Receipts of various growths of Cotton at Bombay yesterday compared with the corresponding periods in the previous season.

Growths.	Yesterday. Cwts.	Yesterday. Bales of 392 lbs.	Total for the week.	Total to date (in Bales) since January 1st 1900.	January 1st 1899.	October 1st 1899.	October 1st 1898.
Khandeish.	...	...	45	66905	340979	110730	408440
Barsee and Nugur	...	...	..	31340	114147	41610	123411
Berar	...	33	33	75917	447950	127762	611434
Total Oomras	...	33	78	174162	903476	280102	1143285
Hingunghat	...	...	...	5646	9662	7645	12160
Dhollera	...	...	...	25695	276341	55371	315043
Broach	...	...	...	18605	119447	40976	121830
Compta & Dharwar.	...	19	753	58236	110466	71356	121858
Westerns	...	66	348	23147	10541	23747	16112
Bengals	...	12	60	180460	217653	322325	258608
Sind	...	...	...	18659	6334	26196	6651
Persian	..	...	...	10415	194	11931	259
American	..	...	...	14847	2139	18713	2872
Egyptian	...	138	351	8034	2839	11580	2933
Other Sorts	..	94	94	4211	19	5405	22
Total	...	362	1684	542118	1659071	875347	2001933

Summary of daily arrivals of produce into Bombay yesterday :—

Wheat	cwts	60,173
Linseed	"	3,735
Rapeseed	"	4,024
Gingelly	"	91
Poppyseed	"	5,593
Groundnuts	"	655
Castorseed	"	10,936
Rice	"	200,023
Myrabollams	"	827

RAILWAY RETURNS.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 16th June 1900, on 461 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	91,000	2,70,000	4,000	3,65,000
Or per mile of Railway	197	586	9	792
For previous 23 weeks of half-year	23,04,393	64,56,557	4,535	87,65,485
Total for 24 weeks	23,95,393	67,26,557	8,535	91,30,485
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,10,275	2,39,133	1,876	3,51,284
Per mile of Ry. do.	239	519	4	762
Total to corresponding date do.	21,45,852	61,94,564	93,230	84,33,646

Increase for the week ... Rs. 13,716
Increase to date ... " 6,96,839

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

(Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindia-Neemuch, Rewari-Bhatinda and Cawnpore-Achnera State Railways.)

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 16th June 1900, on 1644·39 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,08,000	4,80,000	7,000	5,95,000
Or per mile of Railway	66	292	4	362
For previous 23 weeks of half-year	25,70,121	1,08,03,383	1,13,931	1,34,87,438
Total for 24 weeks	26,78,121	1,12,83,383	1,20,931	1,40,82,438
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,21,734	2,90,114	7,197	4,19,045
Per mile of Ry do.	73	175	4	252
Total to corresponding date do.	30,97,625	76,95,409	1,40,043	1,09,33,077

Increase for the week ... Rs. 1,75,955
Do. to date ... " 31,49,361

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SOUTH AFRICA.

DEATH.

FRASER—October 27, at Mafeking, South Africa, killed in action, Thomas Moirae, eldest son of the late William Fowler Fraser, Agent Bank of Bengal and Mrs Fraser, 11, Victoria Street, Westminster, aged 30 years.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

MORRIS—July 14, at Cannanore, the wife of Captain Godfrey Morris, XXth M I, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

FROST—July 19, at Amritsar, Mr James Frost, a clerk in the Bari Doab Circle Office, aged 65 years.
GRANT—July 17, at Edwardesabad, of cholera, A J Grant, C S, Deputy Commissioner of Bannu.
JOHN—July 17, at Stainton Cottage, Landour, Mussoorie, of heart disease, Christopher Anthony John, brother of the late Mr Nicholas Anthony John, of Messrs. A John & Co. of Agra, aged 63 years, 7 months and 5 days.

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The Bombay Gazette

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THE All-British Pacific Cable is an Imperial Idea that has caught on, both in the Colonies and in England and it must require a certain amount of nerve to examine it in the dry light of business. But it is a duty that has to be performed if all hopes of cheap cable rates are not to be effectively knocked on the head. That duty has been undertaken and performed with great thoroughness by Lieutenant C. W. Bellairs, R.N., in a paper On the Routes of Submarine Cables, read before the United Service Institution. The Pacific scheme has been reported upon by four conferences, the first of which was the Imperial Conference held at Ottawa, the capital of the Dominion. That conference was under the spell of the word Imperial and it gave form to the All-British Cable Policy. It did not trouble itself about the principles on which submarine lines have been laid with the result that in the words of the French Budget Commission in 1896, "all parts of the world are, as it were, brought in a net, of which London is the centre, and the entire commerce of the world is taxed for the benefit of English capital." The one principle on which that network of cables was laid down was to choose the lines that were likely to pay without any reference to considerations of the higher patriotism. In 1894 the Wellington Conference recommended an All-British Cable, while it passed a resolution in favour of the route, via Hawaii, which was and is foreign territory. Having delivered itself of the orthodox formula, that the Conference deemed it inadmissible to point to a foreign station as the most suitable resting stage for a cable crossing the Pacific. The Pacific cable committee of 1896-97 was asked to decide if a Pacific cable could be laid, and if so "what route should be selected for the cable." Having answered the first question in the affirmative, the committee got over the difficulty of indicating the best route for the cable by the sufficient observation that the one, via Hawaii, would involve a departure from the principle that only British territories should be used for landing stations, and that the Canadian and Australian Conferences having endorsed that view, a departure from it would be a material change in the character of the scheme they had approved. Apparently feeling that it might be advisable to suggest an alternative the Committee added that it would be well to duplicate the line, and if it were possible to have a deviation of the duplicate line, it would be advantageous to follow the route via Hawaii. As the Committee naively admitted, the adoption of the Hawaii route for the duplicate line would effect a material reduction in the interest and sinking fund, as the capital required would be less—a clear admission that, from a business point of view, the Hawaii route is the best and most economical.

That is unquestionably the case. A cable from Vancouver to Hawaii would be a span of 2,596 knots, nearly a thousand knots less than the alternative of Vancouver and Fanning Island. The Marquis of Tweedale, Chairman of the Eastern Telegraph Companies, when asked whether that Company would work and maintain the All-British line for a fixed annual payment, replied, "the risks were so great that the Company could not undertake that on any terms." The vast and varying depths of the volcanic beds of the Pacific would require 15 per cent. of slack cable in paying out; the usual slack being 10 per cent. In 1899, the Eastern Companies offered to lay and work the cable via Hawaii. The offer was refused. But for the insistence on an All-British line, the Pacific cable would have been laid by private capital, which will not take the risk of the immense spans of the All-British. The Chambers of Commerce and the Conferences influenced by the idea that it was a great disadvantage to have British cables passing through foreign territory, abandoned the commercial line in favour of one that is impracticable. They came to that conclusion without consulting any naval authority except Admiral Wharton, who condemned the All-British line. Lieutenant Bellairs shows that there is a decided advantage in having one end of our submarine cables landing on foreign territory. The cables themselves are not neutralised. The representatives of Great Britain have been instructed to refuse all proposals favouring neutrality. With trans-Atlantic cables landing on American soil, London has access to the cables starting from the United States. With proper apparatus a cable may be hauled up and cut at any point in periods of twenty-four hours. It is, of course, an easier matter to destroy the cable when it reaches shore. That part of it, however, shares the neutrality of the territory. By international law, the All-British Cable, if Great Britain were at war, could be cut anywhere along the route of 8,000 miles, and the landing stations in British territory would have to be protected. It would be the longest span in the world, requiring an increase of weight, making repairs difficult, and a reduction in speed of working from forty to twelve words a minute. This, of course, would increase the cost of messages, which it is the endeavour of the commercial world to reduce.

The commercial loss to Australia, Canada, and the British shipping interest resulting from want of direct communication with Hawaii, the only port of call of any consequence, would be very serious. Australia sends twenty times as many telegrams to the United States and Canada, the traffic between the Dominion and Australasia amounting only to twelve words a day. According to the best legal authorities a cable from a belligerent shore to a neutral can only be destroyed in the waters of the belligerent. The author of this able paper shows that the policy of British-owned cables has placed us in a position which has enabled us as a belligerent to censor messages, and compel all nations to deposit with us the Codes which they wish to use while we are at war. But while the telegraph is useful for political and strategical purposes, it is indispensable for commerce, which is more and more exclusively arranged by telegraph. By following the regular commercial routes, the cables will obtain the protection of patrolling cruisers, and it becomes more difficult to cut the cables in secrecy, owing to the shipping along the route. The cables should be laid so that repairs can be easily accomplished, and for this and other purposes it is advantageous to touch friendly neutral territory wherever it will benefit commerce. In this way we open up the widest markets while getting the network of cables, like the shipping and the coal supplies, into British hands. Lieutenant Bellairs rightly holds that in this way the power of the British Empire will be increased in peace and war far more than in following the will o' the wisp of All-British Cables. Of the fifty odd millions sterling invested in sub-marine cables, covering 178,000 knots, seventy-five per cent. is British. France pays £100,000 a year to the British Cable Companies—a handsome tribute to superior enterprise. It is necessary to economise as far as possible in the length and weight of lines, for the available supplies of gutta-percha will not suffice for more than 18,000 miles a year. This is a matter of importance since the life of a cable averages twenty-five years, though some have been at work for thirty. Fish bites and the boring of busy insects are among the ills which they have to brave.

THERE has been a great rise in the total mortality of Bombay City during the past week, the total deaths have gone up to 1,524 from 1,219. Of this increase about 30 per cent. is due to cholera, which claimed 327 victims. It is satisfactory to know that the Health Department are doing their utmost to check the epidemic, but the attitude of the municipality regarding the filtration of water from the Tulsi reservoir calls for remonstrance. It is admitted that water from Tulsi Lake is unfit for drinking purposes, and yet the question of its filtration is not to be considered before the September meeting. An analysis of the water did not reveal the presence of cholera bacillus, but unwholesome water breeds other diseases than cholera. The public would like to know if during this six weeks' interval they are to go on drinking Tulsi water, or whether the sources of their supply will be Vehar or Tansa Lakes. It is certainly due to the population that a statement should be made at the Corporation meeting in August. The water-supply of a large city is of the first importance. Cannot this question be put before the meeting next month as a matter of urgency? Human life is more important than a careful observation of Municipal office routine. The areas of Parel, Mahim, Worli, Mazagon, Kumbarwada, Byculla, Umarkhadi are the worst cholera districts, but with the exception of Upper Colaba, Southern Fort and Chowpati it is prevalent throughout the city. Plague is rather worse than at this time last year, and the very high death-rate from diseases of the lungs continues. Deaths from fever, dysentery and diarrhœa are largely in excess, and the death-rate per thousand has gone up to 94·37.

THE agricultural prospects in Bombay Presidency are getting week by week into a more parlous condition. During the week ending on the 19th inst. there was an increase of 95,000 on relief, bringing the total number to over two millions of persons. As little rain has fallen between that date and the present time it may be anticipated that an increased number have become chargeable to the State. The distress is most acute in Gujerat and parts of the Deccan, where the condition of the people is unchanged and there is no abatement of famine. The rainfall in these parts averages from 85 to 95 per cent. in defect, while in the whole of Sind and Montgomery, the northern border district in the Punjab, there has been absolutely no rain whatever. In Ahmedabad, Kaira and Panch Mahals the cultivation is mainly for kharif crops, and where rain has fallen the preparation of land in these areas has commenced. If abundant rain falls during the next two or three weeks the situation will be considerably brightened, as it is possible to sow bajri up to the first week and jowari and cotton up to the middle of August. In Madras, Deccan sowings are delayed but in other parts crops are thriving. The conditions in the Punjab are not of the brightest character; water supplies are deficient, and the country is being devastated with cholera. There has been good rain in Bengal, the North-West Provinces and Burmah, prospects being excellent in the latter Province. Early sowings have germinated well in the Central Provinces, and providing the monsoon continues the crops should turn out satisfactorily. Cotton plants are doing well in Hyderabad and Berar, and there is a slight improvement in the conditions prevailing in Central India. Rain is urgently needed in Rajputana, especially in the districts south and west, while in the extreme north—Kashmir and Nepal—the crops are in good condition.

THE discovery at Lourenzo Marques throws light upon the problem of how the Boers in their guerilla operations have been kept alive and obtained necessary supplies of all kinds. Quantities of corned beef and other contraband of war have been passing through Portuguese territory just as the piano-cases full of war material entered prior to the war. If this source of supply be now stopped the process of quenching the smouldering embers of the war will probably be accelerated. Otherwise it will be a prolonged task for, as the special telegram to our Calcutta contemporary shows, small bodies of the enemy are ubiquitous and pounce suddenly and unexpectedly on detached parties of men and carry them off as prisoners. But for the reported capture of two hundred of the Welsh Fusiliers, this morning's news is more satisfactory. Communication with Pretoria has been restored, though we are not told by what route. Presumably, however, it is by the line from East London and Port Elizabeth. General French has captured "a good many prisoners," though how many are to be accounted as good, and when they were captured we have yet to learn. General Broadwood is closely following one of the De Wets, capturing five of his wagons by the way. And he is now at Vredefort, waiting for reinforcements. This is doubtless a wise precaution for he is dangerously near a large body of the enemy, only ten miles from Parys, and not much more from the large force which crossed the line at Serfontein siding two days ago. The two hundred men of the Welsh Fusiliers reported captured near Roodeval were doubtless of his force. General Baden-Powell with a handful of 450 men has defeated a thousand Boers with loss, and still marches on to the north of the Delagoa Railway. He appears to be ahead of the general advance to the eastward. And if the forces of Generals Hamilton and Mahon have arrived at Bronkhorst's Spruit, as is to be gathered from Reuter, they are now forty-five miles this side of Pretoria. But the march to Middleburg, which they hope will be unopposed, is other thirty-five and yet a stretch of ninety lies between them and Lydenburg, where President Kruger and Mr. Steyn have a long-standing engagement to foregather.

SIGNALLING is a most important branch of military education, and it is unsatisfactory to find the Indian Army is not as efficient in this duty as it should be. The defect is greater in the Cavalry than in the Infantry regiments, as out of 40 regiments examined only 15 were regarded as efficient, the remainder either lacking knowledge or not possessing a sufficient number of men. Last year 79 infantry corps obtained a satisfactory figure of merit, but only 72 qualified this year. There are only two cavalry and six infantry regiments specially commended, and not one of these is in the Bombay Command. We look in vain for the Marine Battalion, who considering their unrivalled facilities and constant application to signalling, should be one of the first regiments in this military work. In the Bombay Command no less than seven cavalry and 26 infantry regiments are below a satisfactory standard, but the same deficiencies are noticeable in other commands. The last annual inspection showed that many corps were without complete equipment, without a sufficient number of signallers, and some even minus a qualified instructing officer. It is not strange that under these circumstances, a retrograde movement took place. The responsibility for these defects rests on the commanding officer, and the Commander-in-Chief does not choose his words in reminding these officers of the duties they are expected to perform.

IT is notified that his Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor of Bombay, under the authority vested in him by the Indian Council Acts, 1861 and 1892, has been pleased to nominate Rao Bahadur Chunilal Venilal, C. I. E., to be an Additional Member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations only. The seat of the Honourable Mr. W. C. Hughes, an Additional Member of the Council, has become vacant, and his Excellency has been pleased to nominate Mr. A. F. Woodburn, I. C. S., Barrister-at-Law, to be an Additional Member.

THE services of Lieut. S. O. Hall, R. A. M. C., are replaced at the disposal of the Government of India in the Home Department.

REV. W. A. DICKINS, Chaplain of Kirkee, has been granted special leave on urgent private affairs for six months from the 11th August.

THE services of Captain H. G. Maxwell, I. S. C., have been replaced at the disposal of the Government of India in the Home Department.

MR. C. A. KINCAID, I. C. S., has been appointed Judicial Assistant to the Political Agent of Kathiawar, vice Mr. M. H. W. Hayward.

MR. A. E. L. EMANUEL, I.C.S., Assistant Collector and First Class Magistrate, Ahmedabad District, has been invested with additional powers.

MR. T. D. FRY, I.C.S., acting District Judge, Ahmedabad, has been granted furlough for six months from the 28th instant, or any subsequent date.

MR. J. MOLLISON, Deputy Director of Agriculture, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for two months and eighteen days from the 23rd June last.

MAJOR G. B. O'DONNEL, B.A., (Oxon,) I.S.C., has been appointed administrator of the Radhanpur State, vice Lieut.-Col. M. T. Lyde, I.S.C., deceased.

MR. B. C. H. CALCROFT-KENNEDY, I. C. S., acting Registrar, Bombay High Court, Appellate Side, has been granted one year's leave on medical certificate from the 15th instant.

DURING the absence on leave of Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Mr. W. C. Webb acts as Chief Presidency Magistrate and Revenue Judge; Mr. P. H. Dastur acts as Second Presidency Magistrate, and Mr. Mahomed Ali Jinnah acts as Third Presidency Magistrate.

THE Bombay "Government Gazette" republishes an order from the "London Gazette," stating that the Queen has been pleased to approve the appointment of Mr. Wm. Henry Crowe, I. C. S., to be a Judge of the Bombay High Court, in the place of Mr. Henry James Parsons, retired.

THE services of the following Commissioned Medical Officers have been replaced at the disposal of the Government of India in the Home Department :—Captain E. F. E. Baines, I. M. S.; Captain N. R. J. Romier, F. M. S.; Captain W. G. Richards, I.M.S.; and Lieutenant E. F. G. Tucker, I. M. S.

THE following appointments have been made, vice the Hon. Mr. W. H. Crowe, Bar-at-law, I. C. S. :—Mr. M. P. Khareghat, I.C.S., to be first grade Judge and Sessons Judge.; Mr. H. L. Harvey, I. C. S., to be second grade Judge and Sessions Judge; Mr. M. H. W. Hayward, LL.B. (Cantab), I. C. S., to be third grade Judge and Sessions Judge.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending July 24 was 1,524, giving a death-rate of 94·34 per annum per thousand as against 34·23 the corresponding period of last year, and 36·32 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 113 died from fevers; 81, plague; 6, small-pox; 6, measles; 327, cholera; 44, leprosy; 41, phthisis; 79, diseases of the nervous system; 243, affections of the respiratory organs; 111, diarrhœa; 42, dysentery; 33, still-born; 2, old age and debility; 118, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 31; Brahmin, 33; Lingaet, 1; Bhattia, 6; Hindu of other caste, 825; Hindu low caste, 233; Musalman, 278; Parsee, 42; Jew, 8; Native Christian, 58; Eurasian, 3; European, 5; other and unknown castes, 1. The total number of births was 297 as against 184 the corresponding period of last year, and 245 the average over the past five years.

THE Superintendent of Stationery at Calcutta has received instruction to organise for the China force a base Stationary Depot equipped with four months supplies of all necessaries.

SANCTION has been accorded to the continuance for another five years of the terms on which water is at present supplied by the Jubbulpur Municipality to the Cantonment at that station.

SIX muzzle-loading guns will be given from the Fort William arsenal to certain Chuli Katti Mishmis in Upper Assam for useful service rendered by them during the recent Bebejiya Mishmi expedition.

THE total earnings by the Eastern Bengal State Railway for the week ending the 14th instant amounted to Rs. 2,20,970 as compared with Rs. 2,04,510 for the corresponding week of the previous year.

THE fate of Dera Ghazi Khan is likely to be decided next month as the floods on the Indus are usually highest from August 6th to 18th. If these are very high there will be little hope of saving the town.

MR. G. R. C. WILLIAMS, Commissioner of Meerut, leaves for England preparatory to retirement from the service early next month. It is understood that Mr. H. C. Conybeare will officiate as Commissioner of of the Meerut Division on Mr. Williams' departure.

THE Venerable A. E. Stone, Archdeacon of Calcutta, and Chaplain of Darjeeling has been granted leave for three months. The Rev. W. A. G. Luckman, Senior Chaplain of St Paul's Cathedral, is appointed to act as Chaplain of Darjeeling, during his absence.

A COLLECTION of samples of minerals discovered in the forest areas of Ajmere-Merwara in Rajputana has been forwarded by the Agent to the Governor-General of Rajputana to the Bengal Chamber of Commerce, in the hope that the specimens may be sufficiently interesting to attract the attention of the mercantile community.

LIEUTENANT GARDINER, R. E., who has been appointed to the North-Western Railway, will probably take over Mr. Manson's duties as assistant to the Engineer-in-Chief North-Western Railway, on the latter joining the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway early in August as officiating Deputy Manager, a new appointment.

IT is satisfactory to hear that the zamindars of the Chenab Colony are not unmindful of the distress of their unhappy brethren in the famine-stricken districts of the province. In response to an appeal from Mr. L. A. Jones, the Colonisation Officer, they have already sent in over Rs. 8,000 monthly in small sums; and more is expected.

THE "Pioneer" writes :—The Viceroy obviously cannot do more to remedy the situation than any other human being; but his visit under such unusual circumstances will be an encouragement to the suffering people, an assurance that their condition is closely watched by the Supreme Government, and that everything that can be done to alleviate it will be done.

SHORTLY after the B. I. s. s. Hindu, which arrived at Colombo on Tuesday morning from Tuticorin, took her moorings, a passenger, one of the immigrant coolies, died from an attack of cholera. The Hindu left the harbour and proceeded out to sea and buried the dead man. On return she was moored in the quarantine ground. All the precautionary measures, such as disinfection, bathing, &c., were taken and the coolies were despatched to Ragama by a special train to go through the necessary period of quarantine.

THE Agent of the South Indian Railway has been informed that the Government of India has sanctioned the revised estimate of Rs. 7,700 of the cost of the survey of the proposed feeder line from Kalikiri to Rayachoti, and to a grant of Rs. 1,000 to meet outlay during the current financial year on the survey. A similar communication has been made to the Agent of the Madras Railway with regard to the Baliapatam Mangalore Railway survey, which is to cost Rs. 10,199, with a grant of Rs. 6,000 for the current financial year.

MR. T. J. STEVENSON, manager of the Royal Bioscope Entertainment, Company intends to pay Bombay a visit at an early date. He has had a very successful hill season, playing for a month each in Naini Tal, Mussoorie and Simla, where he had the honour of showing at the Viceregal Lodge. Miss Nellie Mountcastle is one of the Variety Company with the show, and she gives a dance from the Gaiety and Lyceum, and also produces the Rainbow Dance and Sea of Fire on a scale never before attempted in India. A special feature is the exhibition of war pictures. The whole show has won golden opinions.

THE Punjab Government is estimating for a total revenue from provincial sources of Rs. 1,99,62,000 during 1900-1901. This includes the modest opening balance of Rs. 56,000. Increases are expected from most of the principal heads of revenue. For instance, an extra Rs. 10,00,000 are expected under Land Revenue, Rs. 95,000 under Stamps, Rs. 51,000 from Forests, and smaller sums from Assessed Taxes, Excise and Registration, &c. Whether these windfalls will come in is another matter. A sum of over thirty-five lakhs is provided for famine by imperial funds, the Local Government making no provision from provincial sources. Not much change is made in the grant for medical purposes, which includes plague expenditure and the prescribed closing balance of ten lakhs is, of course not forthcoming. The figures show how utterly incapable the Punjab Government is to meet extraordinary demands on its resources. Not only can it not contribute towards famine relief, or maintain its annual balance, but if the next nine months remain unfavourable, it will have to forego land revenue instead of hoping for extra collections.

THE most noticeable effect of the recent rain in the Punjab, writes the Lhahore paper, the springing up of green grass on unploughed land generally, the result being very beneficial to the cattle. The standing crops have also been improved and ploughing and sowing facilitated. The rise in the price of food grains has been checked, but there is no decreased in the number of persons on famine relief. In Western India and Madras the rainfall up to date has been very unevenly distributed, but on the whole the outlook in the Southern Presidency is much improved. Gujarat and Kathiawar are still waiting for the long-expected showers, and the cattle mortality in the former region is unabated. Prices in Bombay of wheat and other food-grains are about a hundred per cent. over the normal. In Bengal the rainfall has been slight but general, and the prospects of the autumn crops are good. The same may be said of the North-West Provinces, where heavy rain has done much good. Good rain is also reported from the Central Provinces, but the fall is still so far below the average of the past 33 years. Everything, of course, depends on the later monsoon proving favourable. Rajputana and Central India have been less fortunate, but there has been enough rain for sowing. The existing famine conditions, of course, are unchanged.

CHARLES ALEXANDER, Grand Duke of Saxe-Weimar, who a few days ago completed his eighty-second year, is fourth among European rulers both as to age and as to seniority as a sovereign. The Pope is his senior by over eight years, and then follow the Grand Duke of Luxemburg and the King of Denmark. In length of reign our Queen surpasses him by sixteen years, the Emperor of Austria by nearly five and the Grand Duke of Baden by one year. The Grand Duke recently lost his wife, who was aunt of the Queen of the Netherlands, and his eldest son, so that his heir-apparent is his grandson, Prince William, who is also heir-presumptive of his cousin the Queen of the Netherlands. Should these cousins marry—and more unlikely things have happened—and have a son, the line of succession in the Netherlands would be a strange one—The Queen's heir would be her son, and failing that son her husband, the son's father. In a poem, written on the occasion of the Grand Duke's birth in 1818, the great Goethe devoted the infant prince specially to music, and hoped that his life would be "melody to himself and others." The prophecy has fulfilled itself. The Grand Duke was the patron of Liszt, and has forbidden playing the piano with open windows in his capital. The Grand Duke had two sisters, one of whom was the wife of the Emperor William I., while the other married the Emperor's younger brother, Prince Karl, and was grandmother of the Duchess of Connaught.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

NEW SOUTH WALES SENDS A FORCE TO CHINA.

LONDON, JULY 26.

New South Wales has resolved to despatch a military force to serve with the Imperial troops in China.

BOMBARDMENT OF BLAGOVESTCHENSK.

The Chinese were still bombarding Blagovestchensk on the 22nd instant.

A RUSSIAN FORCE IN DANGER.

Grave fears are entertained regarding the safety of the Russian railway force of 200 men between Charbin and Telin, which was menaced at the end of June by 15,000 rebels with artillery and not been heard of since.

THE TANGKU-TIENTSIN RAILWAY.

The Tangku-Tientsin Railway has been mortgaged to British investors for advances of about £2,500,000.

LI-HUNG-CHANG AT SHANGHAI.

LONDON, JULY 26.

Li-Hung-Chang will probably remain at Shanghai and conduct the negotiations from there.

It is understood that the Foreign Consuls urged this.

(REUTER'S ORDINARY SERVICE.)

RUSSIANS CONTROL THE RAILWAY TO TIENTSIN.

LONDON, JULY 26.

A *Times*' despatch, dated Tientsin, 17th inst., says the majority of the Admirals at Taku have decided that the Russians should control the railway between Tangku and Tientsin.

The British and American Admirals, however, dissented.

The railway is now in working order.

BAD NEWS REGARDING THE LEGATIONS.

A native interpreter from the British Legation at Peking has arrived at Newchwang and states that the majority of the Legation are dead and the position of the survivors was hopeless.

Sir Robert Hart, he says, died on the 2nd instant.

BRITISH BASE OF OPERATIONS.

General Gaselee has joined Admiral Seymour at Wei-Hai-Wei, where the British depot and base of operations is established.

DEPARTURE OF THE 2ND BENGAL INFANTRY.

The transport Zamania with the 2nd Bengal Infantry and A and B sections of No. 41 Native Field Hospital, consisting of 14 officers, 17 native officers, 4 hospital assistants, 754 non-commissioned officers and men, 171 public followers, 42 private followers, 1 store-keeper, and 1 agent, Commissariat Departments 15 chargers, 1 maxim machine gun and 179 boxes of ammunition, on board, sailed this forenoon for China. The troops were brought to Bombay in three special trains, the first train arrived at the Prince's Dock, at 5-30 a.m., from Secunderabad with the sections of the Native Field Hospital, the other trains conveying the 2nd Bengal Infantry, arrived at 6-10 and 6-40 a.m. respectively. On arrival the troops were at once detrained, and several companies were told off to unload the heavy baggage, which was immediately shipped on board. Everything was ready by 9 o'clock. Half-an-hour later, the bugle was sounded, and the men formed up on the quay in front of the vessel for medical inspection, which was carried out by the military medical officers. On the conclusion of the inspection, the men were at once embarked. Amongst those present at the Dock, to witness the departure of troops were Brigadier-General F. Ventris, Commanding the Bombay District, Captain Goodridge, R. N., Director, Royal Indian Marine, Colonel Blennerhassett, Principal Medical Officer, Bombay and Aden Districts, Colonel W. H. Riddell, Officiating Assistant Adjutant-General, Bombay District, Colonel W. F. Cahusac, Commanding 21st Bombay Infantry, Captains Vincent, Edwards and Schofield, District Staff, Commander Gordon, R. I. M., and others. The pipers of the 2nd Bombay Grenadiers were present at the Docks and played the troops off, this being the first regiment of the Indian Contingent that departing from Bombay has received that compliment. Captain J. Lockhart, Corps of Guides, correspondent of the *Times* and Lieuts. E. J. Headlam, and A. E. Harrold, transport officers, also proceed by the vessel.

At 10-30 a.m. the Zamania left her berth, but had to stop in the middle of the Dock, to allow the steamer City of Lucknow and Maroa to enter. She passed out of the dock gate at 11-40 a.m. to the music of the pipers who had marched round to the pier head from P shed, and the cheering of the spectators, to which the men on board heartily responded. The officers proceeding by the vessel are, Lieut.-Col. G. W. Harris, Major J. Melville, Captains C. Hamilton, and F. P. Dunsford, Lieuts. A. Le F. Smith, G. W. Ross, C. J. Campbell, and R. J. Cumming, 2nd-Lieuts. A. R. Spinger, A. H. McClerthy, and C. B. Combe, Lieut. C. Hudson, I. M. S., 2nd Bombay Infantry, Major G. Mckee, I. M. S., Lieut. W. H. Tucker, I. M. S., No. 41 N. F. Hospital.

The transport Lawada, Captain T. J. Grier, left the Prince's Dock, N Shed, about 10 a.m. for Calcutta, where she will embark a cavalry regiment for conveyance to China.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, JULY 25.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Farquhar, arrived here this afternoon.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JULY 25.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

Good Bhownugar 4 18-32.

The Manchester Market has been quiet.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	97 9-16
3 per cent. Rentes	99 3-4
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling loan	106
3 1-2 per cent. Rupee papers	62 1-2
Bar Silver	27 3-4

(REUTER'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE COLONIAL VOTE.

LONDON, JULY 26.

An amendment to the Colonial Vote was rejected in the Commons last night, by 208 against 52 votes.

Mr. Chamberlain, in vigorously defending the proposal to disfranchise the rebels in South Africa, said he believed the Boers would settle down in view of the intention of the Government to give them self-government similar to our own colonies.

EXCITEMENT AT LOURENZO MARQUES.

Excitement has been caused at Lourenzo Marques, owing to the discovery that quantities of corned beef and other contraband have been smuggled into the Transvaal.

Several arrests have been made.

(REUTER'S ORDINARY SERVICE.)

THE ADVANCE EASTWARD.

LONDON, JULY 26.

Communication with Pretoria has been restored.

General French has captured a good many prisoners.

General Broadwood is closely following De Wet and has captured five of the enemy's waggons. He is now at Vredefort waiting for Little to join him.

General Baden-Powell reports from Majato Pass that 450 of his men drove one thousand Boers from a very strong position, inflicting considerable loss.

Reuter, telegraphing from Bronkhorst Spruit on the 24th, states as follows :—The general advance of the British forces eastward is progressing.

General French with two brigades is in the south, General Pole-Carew in the centre, and Generals Hamilton and Mahon in the north. They have arrived here practically unopposed.

It is expected the combined forces will advance on Middleburg without opposition.

The Boers are evacuating all their positions and are moving towards Lydenberg.

OTHER TWO HUNDRED CAPTURED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JULY 26.

The "Indian Daily News" publishes the following cablegram :—

London, July 25.—A telegram from Pretoria states that Mr. Beehan, of Lumsden's Horse, who, yesterday, was reported missing, has turned up all right. He was taken prisoner, but has been released on parole.

The last embers of the South African war seem to be very difficult to extinguish. Alert and nimble bodies of Boers are moving about with great rapidity defying pursuit and carrying on successful harrying operations. They pounce upon a baggage train, capture its escort and again disappear before our reinforcements can arrive. Yesterday they accomplished another successful and very clever feat by suddenly pouncing upon a supply train in the neighbourhood of Roodeval, capturing it and 200 Welsh Fusiliers who formed its escort.

CASUALTIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 25.

The following casualties are reported :—Died of pneumonia—at Howick, 21st July, 2nd King's Royal Rifles, Private C. Colyer ; of enteric—at Pinetown bridge, 12th July, Bombardier G. Murray.

PATIALA FINANCES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 25.

A European officer is likely to be appointed by the Punjab Government to re-organize the finances of the Patiala State.

THE VICEROY'S VISIT TO AHMEDABAD.

The party accompanying the Viceroy to Ahmedabad comprises Mr. Lawrence, Major Baring, Colonel Fenn and two A.-D.-C.s. They proceed via Saharanpur, and thence by the Rajputana-Malwa Railway.

PLAGUE RETURNS.

Only 198 plague deaths occurred in the whole of India last week, Calcutta reporting 84, Bombay City 70, Mysore 20, Patna District 12, Bombay Districts 10, and Hyderabad 2. Salem District and Madras also had one seizure, the whole of the rest of India being clear.

MILITARY NOTIFICATIONS.

SIMLA, JULY 23.

Lieutenants Degese, 1st East Lancashires, Middleton, 2nd York and Lancasters, and Challenar, 2nd Connaught Rangers, have been granted extra regimental promotion in the Lancashire Fusiliers and accordingly leave has been granted to proceed to India.

OBITUARY.

Lieutenant Lushington, 3rd Bengal Cavalry, died at Landour yesterday, of blood-poisoning.

A RAILWAY ACCIDENT ON THE S. M. RAILWAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 26.

A railway accident, occurred fortunately unattended by any loss of life, on the Southern Mahratha Line to-day. The engine of the down Southern Maratha Mail due into Poona, at 5 a. m., ran into some masonry work at the side of the railway that slipped off the top of a cutting, about nine miles from Poona. The engine was thrown off the rails and the train badly derailed. The General Manager of the line at the time of the accident was in the train. The line was blocked and passengers were transhipped. Through communication will be restored shortly.

THE plague cases on Monday in Calcutta were returned as eight with the same number of deaths from that cause, but occurring on previous date. The total mortality was 5.

POONA EXTRA MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 26.

The following are the results of to-day's racing :—

THE LITTLE ARAB PLATE.—Distance—7 furlongs. Winner, Rs. 200; second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arab and C. B. ponies 14 hands and under which have not won a race, value Rs. 2,500 or over, since 31st March, 1898. Weight—Ponies measured before 1st April, 1899, 14 hands to carry 9st. 3lbs. W. I. Ponies measured since 31st March, 1899, 14 hands to carry 8st. 10lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner, race value Rs. 200 or over, once 5lbs, twice, 10lbs; oftener, 14lbs. Winner, races value Rs. 200, or over of the aggregate value of Rs. 3,000, 7lbs. in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 90 or over 7lbs.

Messrs. Barns, Mathradas Goculdas and Anandji Nanji's g a h Bonaparte 8st 2lbs 1
Mr A M Amer's ch a h Pretender 7st 12lbs 2
Mr S H Wahed's ch a h Jehangir 8st 8lbs 3
Mr Ali bin Talibs g a h Warrior 7st 5lbs 0

Four ran. Bonaparte won by a length; half-a-length divided the second and third. Time, 1 min. and 48 3-5 secs.

THE MIDGET PLATE.—Distance—5 furlongs. Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Arab and C. B. ponies 13-2 and under, which have not won a race value Rs. 2,500, since 31st March, 1898. Weight—Ponies measured before 1st April, 1899, 13-2 to carry 8st 10lbs. W. I. Ponies measured since 31st March, 1899, 13-2 to carry 8st 4lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winner, race value Rs. 200 or over, once, 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs; oftener, 14lbs. Winner, races value Rs. 200 or over of the aggregate value of Rs. 3,000 7lbs in addition to above penalties. Allowance—Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 90 or over 7lbs.

Messrs G K and D D's ch a h Muktar 9st 1lb 1
Mr Hajee Esmail Cassum's b a h Magistrate 8st 10lbs 2
Messrs Mathradas Goculdas and Anandji Nanji's g a h Grey Fox 7st 11lbs 3
Mr Goolam Hoosen Essajee's ch a h Shah Jehan 8st 1lb. 0
Mr Murdoch's b a h Torpedo 7st 11lbs 0

Won by 2 1-2 lengths, a head between the second and third. Time, 1 min. and 11 1-5 secs.

THE BEDOUIN STAKES.—Distance—6 furlongs. Winner, Rs. 200, second Rs. 100 third Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab Horses. W. A. Penalties—Winner; race value Rs. 50 or over once 5lbs.; twice, 10lbs; oftener, 14lbs. Allowances—Ponies, 14 hands and under 7lbs.

H H Maharaja Holkar's ch a h Shanghai 9st 8lbs 1
Messrs G K and D D's b a h Miskin 8st 10 lbs 2
Mr S A Wahed's b a h Earl 8st 12lbs 3
Mr S C P's ch a h Orator 8st 6lbs 0
Mr Finch's b a c Admirer 8st 6lbs 0
Mr Faraj bin Saad's g a h Masaad 8st 4lbs 0

Shanghai came first by a length; the same distance was maintained by the second and third. Time, 1 min. and 29 1-5 secs. Earl who came in third, was disqualified for wrong weight and its place was given to Masaad.

THE SUMMER STAKES.—Distance—7 furlongs. Winner, Rs. 200; second 100; third 50. For horses which have not won a race value Rs. 2,500 or over since 31st March, 1898. W. A. and C. Penalties—Winner, race value Rs. 200 or over once, 5lbs.; twice 10lbs; oftener, 14lbs. Winner, races value Rs. 200 or over of the aggregate value of Rs. 3,000, 7lbs in addition to above penalties. Allowances—Horses which have not won a race value Rs. 90 or over, 10lbs.

Messrs G K and D D's bl aus g Roy 9st 5lbs 1
Messrs Murray and Murdoch's b aus g Spark 9st 2
Mr Murdoch's b aus g Merry 8st 4lbs 3
Mr S A Wahed's b aus g Truffle 9st 0

Roy won by four lengths, six lengths divided the second and third. Time, 1 min. and 38 1-5 secs.

THE NEW PLATE.—Distance—5 furlongs. Winner Rs. 200, second, Rs. 100; third, Rs. 50. For Maiden Arab and C. B. ponies 13-3 and under. Weight—Ponies measured before 1st April 1899 13-3 to carry 9st W. I. Ponies measured since 31st March, 1899 13-3 to carry 8st 7lbs W. I. Penalties—Winner, race valued Rs. 50 or over once, 4lbs; twice 7lbs.; oftener, 10lbs. Winner of the Maiden Palte on the first day, if a starter, to carry 7lbs. in addition to above penalties.

Lt-Col J Monteith's ch a h Paleface 9st 1
Messrs G K and D D's b a h Chancellor 8st 11lbs 2
Mr Goolam Hoosen Essayie's g a n Buktawar 9st 3
Mr Syed Rashid's g a h Vaher Mahomed 9st 7lbs 0
Capt Lock's g a h Bostan 9st 1lb 0
Mr Hajee Esmail Cassums b a h Magistrate 8st 12lbs 0
Mr A R Amer's g a h Councillor 8st 12lbs 0
Mr Abdoola bin Farris' ch a h Adviser 8st 1lb 0
Mr Artin A Essayie's g a h Jupiter 7st 13lbs 0
Mr S C P's b a h Mulberry 7st 10lbs 0
Mr S A Wahed's ch a h The King 7st 3lbs 0

All horses entered ran, except Magistrate. Paleface won by three lengths, 1 1-2 lengths between the second and third. Time, 1 min. 12 3-5 secs.

SELLING RACE.—Distance—1-2 mile. Winner, Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. For Arab and C. B. ponies, 14 hands and under. Ponies 14 hands entered for Rs. 1 200 to carry 10st. W. I. 3lbs. for each Rs. 100, down to Rs. 600. Allowance—Maidens 5lbs. Ponies which have not won a race value Rs. 90 or over, 10lbs. (not accumulative.)

Mr S C P's ch a h Pannala 8st 1lb 1
Messrs G K and D D's g a h Parta 8st 2
Captain Purvis' b a h Advocate 7st 12lbs 3
Messrs Mathradas Goculdas and Anandji Nanji's b a h Exchange 8st 6lbs 0
Mr Underwood's ch a h Jock 7st 13lbs 0
Mr B A Davur's ch a g Rishan 7st 12lbs 0

Pannala won by a neck, the second and third were a length apart. Time, 56 secs.

THE INDIAN RACING CALENDAR.

THE "Indian Sporting Times" has just issued the first volume of the Indian Racing Calendar, embracing all meetings held between April 1st and June 30th. It is a book of small dimensions full of compact information, and is worthy of the support of the racing public in this country. Every detail, dear to the heart of the race-goer, can be found in its records, and its value is further enhanced by reason of it being the only quarterly record of the turf meeting held throughout India. In the volume just issued, Part I., we have a record of Wellington Races, Ootacamund Races, Simla Races, the Ceylon June Meeting, Mahableshwar Races, and the Bangalore Summer Meeting, with all particulars as to winners, starters, betting, jockeys, and so on. In addition to this there is a list of horses classed, aged and measured during the quarter, with particulars also of licenses issued to jockeys and trainers, and a list of assumed names and G. R.s. It should be noted that Part I contains a record of Indian racing from 1st April to 30th June; Part II will embrace the record from 1st April to 30th September; Part III. to 31st December, while the annual volume will include details of all Indian racing for the whole year. The price of each quarterly issue of the Calendar is one rupee, and the price of the annual issue will be Rs. 5, to those who have not subscribed to the previous quarterly issues and Rs. 4 to those who have. The quarterly parts are bound in limp cloth, while the annual volume will be bound in stout leather. The Calendar will be appreciated by all racing men. The punter should find this little record of current form quite indispensable, while handicappers, honorary secretaries and owners will welcome it as meeting a real want. Copies may be obtained at the office of "The Indian Sporting Times," Bombay, or of any bookseller.

SCHOOLS FOR CATHOLICS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The late Most Right Reverend Dr. Leo Meurin, S.J. once Vicar Apostolic of Bombay, saw, and saw clearly, that the existence of the Padroado in Bombay, Bassein and Salsette was productive of no good to the Catholics concerned. Since then a Hierarchy has been established and prelates are nominated to Sees in British India by the Crown of Portugal. But, as was expected, no educational institutions have yet come into existence, and I for one, fail to see what good has accrued by the arrangement. You will, therefore, do service to the Padroado Catholics if you will publish this communication. I trust the ecclesiastical authorities will consider the neglected condition of the Catholics and provide schools for them not only in Bombay, but also in Salsette and Bassein.—Yours, &c.,

Bombay, July 25. A CATHOLIC.

As already announced, the management of the East Indian Railway, when it was seen that the breach in the Umballa-Delhi line would take some time to repair, have made speedy arrangements with the North-Western whereby the up and down mails trains are allowed to pass over the North-Western line from Umballa to Ghaziabad intact. By this means the inconvenience to passenger traffic has been reduced to a minimum, and travellers going from down country up to the Punjab or from the Punjab down will practically not be conscious of any change. The timings by the usual route will be almost exactly preserved, the up mail train arriving at Kalka a few minutes later, and the down mail leaving Kalka twenty minutes earlier ; but at Howrah there will be no change, these trains both arriving and departing at the ordinary hours.

NOTES FROM PARIS.

THE ARMY AND THE CIVIL POWER.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

FRANCE AND CHINA.

PARIS, JULY 6.

ON Wednesday afternoon a rumour spread in the lobbies that General Jamont, Commander-in-Chief of the French Army, had resigned, and that he had metaphorically slammed the door behind him. For more than an hour neither confirmation nor denial of this sensational news could be obtained. At half-past six M. Jourde, member for Bordeaux, and a Republican, asked the Minister of War whether the report was true. Just at this moment the House was full to overflowing, and nerves were on an edge. M. Jourde spoke amid a fearful din. M. Boyer, a Socialist, cried out that if Government had done its duty it would have turned General Jamont out of the army neck and crop months ago. General Andre, Minister of War, said that the Chamber was aware of the incidents connected with the resignation of General Delanne, Head of the Staff. The Chamber had approved the action of the Minister of War "And now," said General Andre, "General Jamont also sends in to me the following letter :—Paris, July 2. Monsieur le Minister. The instability of the Head of the Staff is inconsistent with the formation and leadership of armies on a campaign. A commander of a group of armies requires, on the outbreak of war, colleagues upon whom he can rely, who are informed of the enemy's plans, and are conversant with the details of mobilisation. Since in future this is not to be the case, the difficulties, already so many and so great, with which I have to cope become too considerable for me. I beg you therefore to relieve me of my duties, and place me on the half-pay list.—'Jamont.' "Worded in such terms," continued the Minister of War, General Jamont's letter is a protest against the acts of Government. General Jamont has, therefore, been relived of his duties and placed on half-pay. (Cheers on the Left, protests on the Right.) General Brugere has been appointed Commander-in-Chief in the place of General Jamont." (Further applause on the Left and groans on the Right. M. Deschanel, the President, called upon the Chamber to keep silent, remarking that it was every body's interest to remain calm at such a moment. M. Krantz, a former Minister of War and a Nationalist, said, amid loud groans from Republicans and the applause on the Right, that he was proud to congratulate respectfully General Jamont, who had spilt his blood for France on several battlefields. Two orders of the day were moved, both having the merit of perfect clearness. One, by M. Gouzy, approved the statements of the Government. The other, by M. Krantz, regretted "a policy calculated to disorganise the army." The former was carried by a majority of of 307 to 258.

The Naval programme was again before the Chamber on Friday. M. Millevoye, the Nationalist firebrand, quoted Mr. Labouchere as having said in a speech in the House of Commons that if Mr. Chamberlain remained in office a war with France could not be avoided. He asked that a grant of two millions sterling should be immediately voted in order to build torpedo and submarine boats. M. Sembat, a Socialist, who nevertheless has often the ear of the House, objected to the Government programme for new ships. It would mean an additional forty millions sterling to the Naval Estimates. The money would be simply thrown away, because England and Germany would meet the challenge by expenditure on a still larger scale, and they could afford to out distance France, as their trade was larger and their debt smaller. Such extravagant Naval expenditure was madness. It would contribute to ruin the financial credit of the country.

M. de Lanessan, Minister of Marine, thought the public expected too much from torpedo-boats. Torpedoes were not efficient beyond a distance of 200 or 300 yards. They were often blind, and it would be idle to expect gaining through them the mastery of the seas. France had more protected cruisers and torpedo-boats than any other sea Power. The submarine was a splendid instrument for coast defence, but like the torpedo, it would not be efficient beyond a short distance. Still the inventor of the Narval, M. Laubeuf, had achieved interesting results with his submarine boat, and the Admiralty had given orders for several. France was deficient in large protected cruisers and in battleships. They were essential requisites for offensive warfare, whether in European or in distant seas. They should be powerfully armed. Guns had this advantage over torpedoes, that they carried much further, and heavy armaments meant considerable tonnage. The type of 14,885 tons (French tons) was unanimously approved by the experts. The Government asked for six first-class protected cruisers, because naval officers considered that this number would make up a homogeneous squadron. The navy wished to have two fleets, one in the North Sea, the other in the Mediterranean. The Government programme however was a beginning. A mistake was made in not laying a single ironclad on the stocks these last three years. "Our squadrons, however, such as they are," said M. de Lanessan, "are equal to those of the best organized nations."

M. Caillaux, Minister of Finance, replying to Nationalist critics, who found the Government programme insufficient, said that grants for the navy were left unspent year after year, simply because French shipbuilders were unable to execute the whole of the Government orders. If naval grants were increased by the figure proposed by some Deputies, the result would be that the money would be either refunded at the end of the year or squandered. It would be a most serious thing to propose fresh taxation. Burning the candle at both ends would lead the country to speedy ruin. M. Aimond introduced an alternative Bill, the first paragraph of which proposed an outlay of 679,000,000 francs on the Navy instead of 476,000,000 francs as proposed by the Government. This measure was rejected by 385 votes to 160. The debate was adjourned. The vacancy caused by General Jamont's sensational resignation was speedily filled up. The new Commander-in-Chief, General Brugere, is sixty, and will have to retire in five years, unless in the meantime he commands an Army Corps in presence of the enemy. His great recommendation is that he is not likely to command in an attack on the Republic. He is one of the late President Carnot's Ecole Polytechnique friends. Carnot appointed him, when a colonel, to succeed General Borius as head of his military household, and accidentally wounded him in the thigh at a shooting party at Rambouillet. The new Commander-in-Chief, like most Polytechnique hold boys, is of reserved manners. His nomination is well received by the Republicans in both Chambers. General Delanne is utterly shelved. His successor is General Pendezec, a thorough-bred Breton, but not a Clerical. He comes from La Bretagne Bretonnante, and is remarkable for his frank character and activity. It is said of Pendezec that the enemy will never catch him napping.

In the Senate on Thursday replying to an interpellation by M. Franck-Chauveau, M. Waldeck Rousseau said that the Minister of War had the right to remove certain officers of the General Staff. Nothing could bring about a position of affairs whereby the chief of the General Staff should not be under the orders of the Ministry of War, which must always have the last word. M. Waldeck-Rousseau did not think the country would be perturbed by the removal of two Chiefs of the Bureaux, but it ought to be concerned at the detestable advice given to the army, and above all at the facility with which such advice was followed. The Premier went on to say that the Government, which had refused to accept the resignation of General Delanne, could not be blamed for the instability of the General Staff. Moreover, General Jamont's resignation was without importance, because that officer would have reached the age limit in a few months time. As a new generalissimo the Government had chosen a young General. M. Waldeck-Rousseau continued : "General Brugere has only one fault in the eyes of the militarists, and that is that he is equally devoted to the country and to its institutions. What is wanted is not to defend the army, but to ensure an influence over it. All means are employed to this end. Instead of seaking of the army it would be better to speak for the army to pay heed to its needs, and to act in such a way that it may become the first among Continental armies. We shall accomplish our task in spite of the obstacles which are every day placed in our way. We shall shaw that we are not of those who can be intimidated or discouraged." M. Morillet's order of the day approving the declarations and the resolutions of the Government was agreed to by 164 votes against 91.

The Chinese Embassy here looks like a house where a death has just taken place. The Venetian blinds are closed all day long, and stricts "not at home" orders are given to the concierge. The two daughters of the Ambassador are greatly missed in society. They are charming persons, and seem created to figure as twin heroines in a novel of Loti. It is said they had more dancing engagements for this season than any other pair of sisters in the fashionable world. Of course the tragical events in China will prevent them from sharing further in Exhibition festivities. Instructions have been so far as possible telegraphed to Consuls in China to encourage provincial separatist movements wherever they can. As at the break up of the Roman Empire, the provinces might become independent kingdoms. Perhaps a dismemberment of this kind might reconcile the Open Door with Chinese Home Rule.

The changes at the War Office must have the effect of delaying further military steps to deal with the Chinese crisis. It would be a great relief to statesmen hereif Russia would consent to Japan throwing rapidly a large force into China, and Japan agreed to do so. If the Madagascar Compaign so upset the mobilisation plans of the War Office here, what would be the effect of sending all the way to China a more considerable expedition ? The force ordered from Tonkin will soon reach Taku, but not before the fate of the Europeans at Peking is sealed. France would be very glad now if Japan went forward. She cannot warmly encourage her to do so on account of Russian sensitiveness. Still, she shows her desire. The Japanese do not bite. They have a crow to pluck, and it is not for them after what happened five years ago to draw European chestnuts from the fire. Japan must think of her own interests, and can run no risk for the honour of sailing in the same barque with the Western Powers. France has been gently reminded that she helped to destroy the Japanese inserest in good government in China. The dangers of an armed intervention are now much greater than they were in 1894, to say nothing of arousing the jealousy of a powerful neighbour, or of financial involvements. M. Delcasse now must deplore the course taken by M. Hanotaux at the end of the China-Japanese War. M. Camille Pelletan thinks of the financial aspects of the crisis. Russia wants a big loan, and so, soon will France, if she send an expedition to China. What then will become of the nicely-balanced Budget ? It is so hard already to make both ends meet. In a ward, the difficulties that stare the Cabinet in the face are now seen in their awful magnitude. They seem to paralyse those who have to deal with them. The German game is being watched with the closest interest.

The "Rappel" publishes an interview with the Secretary of the Chinese Legation in Paris who is represented to have said : "It has not yet been proved that the Taku forts first opened fire on the ships of the international squadron, and even were this shown to be the case that would not be sufficient to establish that hostilities had been opened and war declared by the Chinese Government. The Government no longer exists. China is in a state of revolution. The Boxers do not respect the property of Chinese any more than that of foreigners. We are almost certain that two-thirds of the Chinese quarter at Peking has been burned and looted. It is probable that several Chinese have been massacred. As regards the murder of the German Ambassador, we have no information on the subject, and we believe that the report requires confirmaton. If this crime has been committed it is not a qoesstion in that case of speaking of repression but rather of pacification. If the Chinese Government were not a prisoner it would have sent us instructions. The part to be played by Europe is very clearly indicated. The European Powers must cooperate in the work of re-establishing peace." "The Echo de Paris" points out the advantages which the Fu-Chau arsenal offers to the allied fleets, and says that one of the first objects of the expeditionary corps should be to occupy and put this arsenal in a proper state of defence. The professional Anglophobes continue to seek for and to find opportunities of adversing themselves and their opinions. Their latest effort is the formation of a committee for the reception of a party of Irish Home Rulers who are coming to Paris for the Exhibition and the National Fete on July 14. The circular issued by the committee states that among them are "members of Parliament, mayors, municipal councillors, and ex-convicts and outlaws." Without a doubt, they are all of them fervent haters of the Saxon, or they would not be considered worthy of a special welcome by such rabid Anglophobes as Drumont, Millevoye, Firmin Faure, and Georges Berry, to mention a few of the more prominent committee men. Barillier, the butcher, acquitted by the High Court and since elected a Municipal Councillor, is also on the committee, which is acting in concert with the Franco-Irish Union, represented by the Comte de Cremont, the Comte d'Althon-Shee and M. Archdeacon. The "brotherly reception" to be accorded by the "French patriots" to "the valiant representatives of the Irish democracy is to be marked by a banquet followed by a "punch d'honneur." At a recent Anglophobe banquet the proceedings ended in riot, owing to there being nothing to eat, but in the present instance the punch at any rate is sure to be a safe investment for lovers of blatant claptrap and incendiary eloquence.

The arrival of the Boer delegates, who are due from America on Friday, is also to be made the occasion of an anti-English demonstration. The recently formed committee for the independence of the Boers have invited their adherents to muster at the St. Lazare station to greet the returning delegates. The police, however, are likely to have something to say in the matter, and it is quite possible that the projected manifestation will be prohibited. The committee claim that they are receiving wide and influential support, but the statistics they publish with a view of proving their contention would seem to show that they are easily satisfied. For instance, they state with pride that they number among their adherents seventy-one Deputies and Senators and 1,250 municipal councillors. As there are in all some nine hundred Senators and Deputies and nearly half a million municipal councillors, the captures effected by the committee do not strike one as particularly impressive. It is useless, of course, to deny that pro-Boerism is rampant in France, but at the same time nothing is more common than to hear even Boerophile Frenchmen express their disgust at the silly manifestations so constantly being aimed at England. A policy of petty provocation is trumpery, dangerous, and ineffective, and is felt to be so by sensible persons. The "Echo de Paris" states that the Bureau of the Paris Municipal Council have resolved to receive the Boer delegates at the Hotel de Ville.

GAME PROTECTION IN CEYLON.

A GENERAL meeting of the Ceylon Game Protection Society was held at the Hill Club, Nuwara Eliya, on Saturday evening, the 14th instant. The subject of chief importance and general interest was the discussion on the importation of game from India and the best methods to be adopted and the most suitable locality for their domicile and acclimatisation. Various districts were suggested. Some had the objection of being too near the haunts of solitary hunters or estates from whence gangs of coolies might invade the privacy of the newcomers and either drive them away or, what was more likely, destroy them before they had time to settle down. Then again the general convenience of all concerned had to be considered. Several members who knew the country well were in favour of the Northern Province, but it was doubtful whether Government would offer any encouragement forfurther sanctuariesbeing established, so it was generally agreed upon that Yala should receive the first batch of antelope which it is proposed to introduce from India. His Excellency the Governor of Madras having most kindly placed at the disposal of the Society several does and a few bucks and the Honorary Secretary is in treaty with an agent for their capture and transmission to Ceylon. A sum of Rs. 500 was originally proposed to be devoted to this object but the meeting freely increased the amount to Rs. 1,000 as the state of the Society's finances justified the expenditure. Ultimately the definite settlement of sites for this new colonisation were left to the decision of the sub-committee.

FRONTIER reports state that the cholera has much decreased in Kabul, but has spread to the borders of Lughman, to the alarm of the Amir, who was about to leave Balabagh for another place called Astalif, where he has gardens and a residence. Measure have been adopted for disinfecting the houses and bazaars in Kabul, and the streets are being cleaned twice a day, evidently to the astonishment, and probably to the disgust of the people, who say that such arrangements were never made before. Both fodder and grain are very dear in Kabul, owing to the non-arrival of merchants scared away by the cholera.

THE CHOLERA EPIDEMIC.

THE following measures have been adopted by the Corporation to prevent the spread of the cholera epidemic :—

Medical Staff.—With the co-operation of the Sectional Medical Officers employed on Plague Duty it has not been found necessary, so far, to employ any additional medical men except one in C. Ward, but it may be necessary to employ more. The Health Department and Plague Staff are co-operating with a view to economy.

Water-supply.—The water-supply of the City has been under the most careful observation and bacteriological examination of both filtered and unfiltered Vehar and Tulsi Water and of the Tansa Water is constantly made at the Municipal Laboratory at Parel by Drs. Cayley and Polverini. In addition to this frequent examination is made of pipe and well waters from houses where cases have occurred and wells are treated with permanganate of potash. The bacteriological examination of the Lake waters has not shown any specific contamination. Special precautions have been taken for the protection of the gathering grounds and margins of the Lakes.

Conveyance of the sick and the removal of the dead.—The horse ambulances of the Health Department and hand ambulances of the Plague Department have been made use of—with the present decline of Plague mortality the number of hand ambulances available is sufficient. The strain, however, upon the horses is very great and if the epidemic increases it will be necessary to incur further expenditure on this account.

Hospital Accommodation.—Accommodation is available at the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Arthur Road. Arrangements have also been made for the reception of Cholera patients of all classes at the Maratha Hospital and owing to the disease having appeared with virulence in the Northern part of the island, the Plague hospital at Mahim has been utilized for the treatment of cholera cases. The Modikhana Hospital is also being used for the reception of cholera cases.

General Measuers.—The disinfection of infected houses is carried out by the Plague Staff. The examination of the sick is done by the Deputy Health Officers and Sectional Medical Officers and the removal of the sick is carried out by the Health Department, as also the removal of the unclaimed dead as occasion arrises. Orders have been issued for the Municipal Dispensaries at Dongry, Kumbharwada and Curry Road to be kept open all day for the issue of medecine to any one calling for it and the Medical Officers in charge of these dispensaries have been directed to give all assistance in the treatment of cholera cases. The District Plague Officers and the Health Department Staff have been supplied with Cholera Medicine for free use.

The expenditure for the measures described above is estimated at about Rs. 10,000 for a period of two months which can be defrayed from Surplus Cash Balance, but if the epidemic does not abate within that period the expenditure will proportionally increase.

MILITARY NEWS.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL MILLER, Captain Riddick, and Lieutenant Gwynn, R. A. M. C., have been detailed for duty with the General Hospital going to Ceylon for Boer prisoners.

CAPTAIN SAUNDERS, Commissariat Department, Captain Macquoid, Hyderabad Contingent, Lieutenant Hilton, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, and 914 native followers (bhistis) left Durban for India on Saturday last.

THE Government has specially thanked the Committee consisting of Mr. Upcot, Secretary, Public Works, Mr. Fanshaw, Colonels Murray and Finnis, Major Mullaly, members, and Lieutenant Watling, Secretary, for their scheme for guarding railway lines and bridges in India should emergency arise.

PRIVATE HARTETT, 18th South Wales Borderers, left for Paris some days ago for treatment at the Pasteur Institute.

CAPTAIN MEIKLEJOHN, who has been awarded the V.C., has many friends in India, and was with the Gordon Highlanders in their famous charge at Dargai. Lieutenant Norwood distinguished himself during the bombardment of Ladysmith and carried a wounded trooper on his back for half a mile along a ravine to safety under heavy rifle fire. He only joined the regiment last year.

THERE were only two cases of cholera with two deaths amongst the Kohat garrison on the 22nd instant. One fatal case occurred at Fort Lockhart among the 1st Punjab Infantry and another among the 5th Bombay Cavalry at Fort Sandeman.

THE Government of India have not so far received any intelligence concerning the arrival of Major Manifold, Captain Ryder, and Captain Davis at Shanghai.

THE 14th Sikhs, the 2nd Bengal Infantry, the 1st 4th Gurkhas, and the 30th Bombay Infantry form the 2nd Brigade, which will not proceed beyond Hongkong according to present arrangement.

THE 14th Sikhs, who were to have embarked at Bombay on the 25th instant, have been detained at Deolali owing to Lieutenant Currie having been attacked with cholera. They will have to be ten days clear of the disease before embarkation. The 34th Pioneers from Umballa have been ordered to start at once, so as to fill the gap caused by this unfortunate delay. The 35th Pioneers will receive 303 rifles from the 23rd Pioneers at Mian-Mir.

WITH regard to a recent allusion to the Commission on Horse-breeding in India, we may state that a preliminary Committee will assemble at Simla next month, composed of Major-Generals Tyler and Elliot, and Colonels Goad and Queripel, but the duties of this Committee will merely be to formulate the points which should afterwards be considered by the Commission, and to discuss the programme of work. The Commission itself will assemble in the autumn, Generals Tyler and Elliot probably being members, but neither Colonel Goad nor Colonel Queripel will be included in it. One at least of the members will be a specialist from England.

THE PALITANA MURDER.

EVIDENCE AT THE TRIAL.

On the trial of a Hindoo cultivator named Premji Days, who was arrested on a charge of having murdered Mr. Manshanker Ganeshji, Kumar Samatsingji's Agent, which took place recently in the Sessions Court of Palitana.

The Public Prosecutor having closed his case, the Court put a number of questions to the accused.—

The Court : Have you sold your big box ?

The accused : Yes, I have.

To whom have you sold and for how much ?—For Rs 15.

Have you received the money ?—No, not yet.

How is it you have not as yet got the money ?—I demanded payment two or three times. Khodo Patil said he would pay the money in a couple of days. Then Manshanker stopped the payment.

Why did Manshanker stop the payment ?—He said as you have got the grain from the Durbar, you can't get the money.

How long before Manshanker's death was the big box sold ?—Ten or twelve days before.

Did you get the grain from Manshanker when you saw him on Friday morning ?—No, I did not.

What reason had you other than what you stated above to kill Manshanker ?—I am shocked to relate it. I have not as yet given it out and I don't want to do so.

The Court then asked the accused if he had anything more to say. The accused said "No."

The pleader for the accused suggested that the accused should be asked to explain what he meant by saying "I am shocked."

The public Prosecutor suggested that the question whether the accused had the intention to kill Manshanker should be cleared up. The assessors wanted to know whether the deceased cried out when the accused threw the stone on him.

The Court to the accused : If you wish to make any further statement, you may—the Court does not compel you to do so.

Accused : I don't wish to make any further statement. When I went to Manshanker on Friday, he said, "You can have the money as well as the grain, provided you do as I tell you." I said I will. Then he said, "You send your daughter to work at my *utara*." I said, my master is in Bombay, you are my master here, we are your children. Saying so, I began to murmur. He said, "You go away." Then Harishanker who was cleaning vessels was asked to fetch one Alida and to put me out. From that time I made up mind to take vengeance on him.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Southern, Fort Northern and Esplanade	0	0	12
B Mandvi, Chukla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	8	1	32
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	6	3	30
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi	0	0	9
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	1	1	62
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	15
G Mahim and Worlee	0	0	30
Water Division	0	0	1
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	13
Total	15	5	204
Total plague deaths to date	78,390	64,653	
Same date last year	11	4	90
Cholera	52	52	

PLAGUE PREVENTIVE OPERATIONS.

The following summary of Plague Operations in Bombay City during the week ending the 14th July is published.

The total mortality registered at the cemeteries was 1,110, being an increase of 69 over the figures of the previous week. 36 deaths were not traceable in the City. Including cases treated as suspicious, there were 229 deaths from plague, 19 from relapsing fever, and 196 from cholera, leaving 666 due to ordinary causes against an average mortality of 522. Mandvi, Umarkhadi, Dongri, Kumbharwada, Tarwadi, Byculla, and Mahim Sections showed a slight increase in the death-rate; while the mortality of Second Nagpada and Parel slightly declined. The total number of inoculations performed during the week was 120, and the total up to the end of the week under report was 199,225. During the period from the 1st to the 7th July 1900, the number of departure, from Bombay exceeded that of arrivals by 6,416 leaving the estimated population of the town at about 600,800.

The figures for plague attacks, deaths, and tota mortality are compared below :

Period.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Total Mortality.
Week ending 15th July 1899	78	65	520
Do 23rd June 1900	139	101	1,163
Do 30th June 1900	104	62	940
Do 7th July 1900	88	61	1,041
Do 14th July 1900	85	54	1,110

The admissions to Hospitals and Camps are shown in the following statement : 74 plague cases were under treatment at the beginning of the week. 22 were admitted during the week. Recoveries and deaths were 24 and 13, respectively. Appended are also statements showing information in regard to the plague operations and in regard to inoculation.

RAILWAY AND SEA INSPECTION.

The following is a summary of results of Railway Medical Inspection, Bombay Presidency, for the week ending the 13th July.

During the week seven plague cases were detected, one being actually found suffering when removed from the train and six having developed plague within short periods after removal. One of the above was detected at Palghar (from Bombay), two at A'nand (one from Surat and one from Baroda), three at Kalyan (all from Bombay), and one at Poona (from Bombay). 279 passengers were in all detained for observation ; and 1,962 subjected to the clinical thermometer test.

The following summary of results of Sea Inspection at Bombay for the week ending the 13th July 1900, is published for information :—

During the week 233 out going vessels, including native sailing craft, with 10,058 crew and passengers including Native troops and followers, were medically inspected, 80 persons being rejected; the clothing, bedding and boxes of 1,175 outward bound persons were disinfected.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

THE WORLD'S ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING.

At the international championship meeting held in the Bois de Boulogne, Paris, the other day, Mr. Norman G. Pritchard ran second to A. C. Kraenzlein in the 200 Metres Hurdles (220 yards), the winner's time being 25 2-5th secs.

The world's record is held by Kraenzlein, who covered the distance in 22 3-5th secs.(cinders) at New York on 28th May 1898. The track in Paris is grass and not the best in the world, so that the performance is an excellent one.

GENTLEMEN V. PLAYERS.

At Lord's this match ended in a victory for the Players by two wickets. The Gentlemen made 297 in their first innings and 339 in their second. Mr. R. E. Foster who achieved such success at the 'Varsity Match made a double century, compiling 102 not out and 136. The Players scored 136 and 502 for eight wickets, Hayward making 111 and Brown 163.

THE ECLIPSE STAKES.

The thirteenth renewal of the eclipse stakes, of 10,000 sovs; the owner of the second horse to receive 500 sovs, of the third 100sovs, and the nominator of the winner 500 ovs, out of the stakes; for then three and four-year olds ; three-years-olds to carry 8st 8lbs, four 9st 6lbs ; mares and geldings allowed 3lbs ; any winner of a weight-for-age of sex race value 500sovs to carry 4lbs, of 1000 sovs 7lb, of the Derby, Oaks, St. Leger, Grand Prix de Paris, Eclipse Stakes, or any weight-for-age or sex race value 4,000 sovs, 10lbs extra ; Eclipse Stakes Course (about one mile and a quarter).—200 subs, 55 of whom pay 10 sovs each. Closed July 27, 1897.

Entrance, if left in after the first Tuesday in January 1900, 115 sovs.

H. R. H. Prince of Wales's b c Diamond Jubilee, by St. Simon—Perdita II., 3yrs .... Jones 1
Mr. J. H. Musker's ch c Chevenning, by Orion—Simena, 3yrs .... Reiff 2
Mr. H. C. Whites' b c Skopos, by St. Serf—Sthethoscope, 4yrs. .... Reiff 3
Duke of Portland's b c Simon Dale, by St. Simon—Ismay, 3yrs. .... Cannon 0
Mr. R. Lebaudy's ch c Le Blison, by Xaintrailles Sunny Queen, 4yrs. .... Sloan 0
Mr. A. Henderson's ch f Guide Wife, by Surefoot—Brose, 3yrs. .... Wyld 0
Mr. H. McCalmon's ch f Jeunesse Doree, by Isinglass—La Croise Doree, 3yrs. .... Madden 0
Mr. P. Lorillard's ch g Old Buck II., by Sensation—Magnetia, 3yrs. .... Martin 0
Mr. Ephrussi's b f Ambrosia II., by Galopin—Alicante, 4yrs. .... Loates 0

(Winner trained by Marsh.)

Betting : 7 to 4 against Diamond Jubilee, 9 to 4 Chevening, and 20 to 1 Skopos.

Won amidst much exitement by half a length ; six lengths between second and third.—*Asian.*

IN his Inspection Notes, dated March last Mr. DeWinton, the Chief Engineer to the Madras Government submitted for consideration the request of certain mariners that a new lighthouse should be built at Cape Comorin, and also made a suggestion with reference to the improvement of the entrance to Kullai Port. In regard to the first proposal, the Presidency Port Officer reports that a new light is not absolutely necessary—and Government has deferred its consideration until the lighthouse programme already sanctioned is completed. In the matter of the Kullai Bar, Mr. DeWinton suggests that the Superintending Enginner, IV. Circle, should be asked to submit an estimate for a duct, carried out into two fathoms of water, which, he thinks, would prevent shoaling. When this estimate is received it can be decided whether the value of the trade is worth the expense involved. This proposal has been sanctioned by Government.

THE note by the Chief Auditor of the Madras Railway on the Capital and Revenue accounts of the Nilgiri Railway for the half year ending the 31st December, 1899, have just been published. They show that the capital expenditure for the half year amounted to Rs. 43,580 and was incurred chiefly on tunnels, rolling stock and general charges. The total capital outlay of the new Company from the commencement of operations to the end of the half year under review was Rs. 47,87,869, which gives an average of Rs.2,83,305 per mile open. The average number of trains run per day was a fraction over seven and the local mileage covered was 23,793. The gross earnings amount to Rs. 100,000, against total working expenses of Rs. 59,950, leaving the net earnings Rs.40,044, or 83 per cent of the capital outlay. The percentage of working expenses to gross earnings is 59·96 for the half year, or 59·02 for the year. The net earnings for the half year give a return of 1·67 per cent on the capital outlay.

MAN'S INGRATITUDE—We have it on Shakespeare's authority that the winter wind is not more unkind than man's ingratitude. In many cases this is unfortunately only too true. There are times, however, when the benefit received is so great that ingratitude becomes impossible. When life is rendered a burden to us by sickness, and someone comes and restores us to health, we should be base indeed to feel ungrateful. Thus millions are to-day grateful to Holloway's Pills and Ointment, which have cured them of all stomach and liver troubles, banished headache, flatulency indigestion and low spirites, and cleared their systems of gout, rheumatism sciatica and all similar ailments.

THE FAMINE.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

THE following season reports for the week ending 24th July were published in the current number of the Bombay "Government Gazette."

Karachi.—River at Kotri on 23rd, 17 feet 6 inches against 18 feet on same date last year. No rain during week. Kharif operations continue. Price of wheat at Karachi 8 1-2, of jowary 9 1-2, of bajri 8 1-2 of rice 5 3-4, and of Bombay grass 23 seers per rupee.

Shikarpur.—River 12 feet 11 inches against 13 feet on same date last year, Water supply in canals sufficient except in Nasirabad and Mirpur talukas where slight deficiency is still felt. Kharif cultivation in flourishing condition. Prices of food-grains steady.

Hyderabad.—No rain during week. High winds blowing Kharif cultivation continues. Water supply deficient in Badin Dero Mobbat and Tando Alahyar talukas. Breaches in three canals in Naushahro taluka. Cattle in fair condition in seven talukas. Price of rice varying from 8 to 11 1-4, of wheat from to 11 1-4, of jowari from 9 to 12, and of bajri from 9 to 11 seers per rupee. Price of karbi varying from 3 annas to 1 rupee per maund.

Upper Sind Frontier.—Kharif cultivation progressing. Great deficiency of water in Shahdadpur taluka. Fodder supply scarce in Kashmor taluka and insufficient in Thul taluka. Price of jowari 10 seers 13 chataks, of bajri 10 seers 3 chataks, of wheat 10 seers 3 chataks and of rice 8 seers 1 chatak per rupee. Price of karbi 13 annas per maund.

Thar and Parkar.—Rain during week, in Nagar, Chachra and Umarkot talukas ; 2 inches in desert, 18 cents at Parkar, 2 cents at Mithi, and 2 inches at Char chra. Kharif cultivation commenced in desert talukas. Deficiency of water continues in Umarkot and Khipra talukas.

Ahmedabad.—(For week ending 21st instant.)—Rain during week, maximum 1 inch 15 cents at Ahmedabad, minimum 1 cent at Gogha; for season maximum 3 inches 87 cents at Parantij, minimum 54 cents at Gogha. Rainfall insufficient throughout the district. Sowing stopped for want of rain. Tilling of ground ceased. Cultivators anxiously waiting for rain, which is badly wanted. Fodder supply entirely insufficient and not procurable even at the highest price. Cultivators selling their cattle for want of fodder. Prices of food-grains fluctuating. Price of jowari 8 seers 40 tolas, of bajri 7 seers, of wheat 9 seers, and of rice 2nd sort 9 seers 40 tolas per rupee. Prices of grass or karbi 30 seers per rupee.

Panch Mahals.—Rain during week, 21 cents at Kalol and 12 cents at Halol, none elsewhere ; for season maximum 3 inches 18 cents at Dhoad, minimum 81 cents at Halol. More rain urgently required for agricultural operations. Fodder very scarce. Agricultural stock in poor condition. Average price of bajri 6 1-2 and of maize 8 seers per rupee.

Kaira—(For week ending 23rd instant).—Rain during week 32 cents at Kaira, in the district maximum 33 cents at Nadiad, minimum 4 cents at Thasra ; for season 42 cents at Kaira, maximum 94 cents at Nadiad, minimum 31 cents at Thasra. Rain entirely insufficient throughout the district. Rain badly required ; sowing retarded for want of it. Fodder supply scanty. Agricultural stock in bad condition. Average price of wheat 7 1-5, of rice 8-1-12, and of bajri 7-1-3 seers per rupee.

Broach.—No rain during week; for season 1 inch 49 cents at Broach, maximum 4 inches 78 cents at Vagra, minimum 48 cents at Jambusar. Rainfall insufficient throughout the district. Rain badly wanted, Sowing operations commenced. Young crops will wither if it does not rain soon. Fodder supply insufficient.

Surat.—Rain during week, 26 cents at Surat, 25 cents at Chorasi, 1 cent at Olpad, 15 cents at Pardi, 15 cents at Bardoli, 18 cents at Mandvi, none elsewhere; for season 4 inches 42 cents at Surat, maximum 23 inches 28 cents at Bulsar, minimum 1 inch 7 cents at Olpad. Rain insufficient this week throughout the district. Sowing operations in progress in all talukas except Pardi, where it is completed. Transplantation of rice seedlings commenced in parts of Pardi taluka. Condition of cattle and fodder supply fair.

Colaba (Bombay).—Rain daily except on 20th and 22nd ; total of week 1·45 inches ; total to date 32·64 inches, being 8·22 inches below average. Abnormal temperature 3° warm on 18th, 19th, 23rd and 24th, and 4° warm on 20th, 21st, and 22nd. Vapour in air excessive throughout the week. Abnormal wind from north-east on 18th and from 21st to 24th, and from east on 19th and 20th. Lightning on 20th and thunder and lightning on 23rd and 24th.

Thana.—Rain during week, 80 cents at Thana, in the district maximum 3 inches 58 cents at Kalyan, minimum 32 cents at Shahapur ; for season 24 inches 22 cents at Thana, in the district maximum 35 inches 82 cents at Shahapur, minimum 12 inches 47 cents at Mahim. Rainfall insufficient throughout the district. More rain urgently wanted. Transplantation in progress in some talukas and retarded elsewhere for want of rain. Rice plants withering for want of rain. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good. Price of rice 2nd sort in seers per rupee 6 3-4 at Mokhada, 8 at Dahanu and Mahim, 9 1-4 at Thana, Shahapur and Bhiwndi, 9 1-2 at Vada, 9 3-4 at Murbad, 10 at Umbargaon and Kalyan, and 10 1-4 at Bassein.

Kolaba.—Rain during week throughout the district, 2 inches 6 cents at Alibag, in the district maximum 9 inches 83 cents at Mahad, minimum 1 inch 85 cents at Uran ; for season 30 inches 59 cents at Alibag, in the district maximum 47 inches 68 cents at Karjat, minimum 30 inches 60 cents at Panvel. Transplantation in progress. Condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock good. Prices of rice and nagli fallen by 1 and 2 lbs. respectively at Mahad and of rice risen at Alibag by 1lb. 18 tolas per rupee.

Ratnagiri.—Rain during week, maximum 6 inches 50 cents at Sangameshvar, minimum 2 inches 3 cents at Guhagar. More rain wanted. Transplantation in progress. Standing crops in good condition. Fodder supply sufficient, but not offered for sale. Prices of food-grains steady except at Malvan, where the price has slightly risen, and at Dapoli where it has fallen. Price of rice at Ratnagiri 9 seers 78 tolas per rupee, and in the district varying from 8 seers 53 tolas at Sangameshvar to 9 seers 72 tolas at Devgad. Price of nagli at Ratnagiri 9 seers 79 tolas per rupee, and in the district varying from 9 seers 45 tolas at Dapoli to 12 seers 2 tolas at Rajapur.

Khandesh.—Rain during week in all talukas except Sindkheda and Raver, maximum 1 inch 33 cents at Yaval, minimum 3 cents at Chalisgaon; for season 2 inches 62 cents at Dhulia, average in the district 7 inches 11 cents. More rain urgently required throughout the district. Sowing of kharif crops in progress, Fodder supply insufficient. Condition of agricultural stock unsatisfactory owing to scarcity of fodder.

Nasik.—Slight rain during week in Nasik, Sinnar, and Malegaon talukas. More rain badly wanted in these talukas. Rain during week 23 cents and for season 8 inches 34 cents at Nasik. Sowing of kharif crops in progress in Nasik, Dindori, Chanddor, Peint, Igatpuri, Sinnar, Yeola, Malegaon, Nandgaon, Baglan and Kalvan talukas. Sowing operations completed in some villages of Niphad taluka and in progress in others. Transplantation of rice and nagli retarded for want of rain in Nasik, Igatpuri, and Kalvan talukas. In the hills condition of cattle and fodder supply is fair, but in other places cattle are suffering for want of fodder. In Yeola taluka condition of cattle is improving. Cattle dying in numbers for want of fodder in Kalvan, Baglan, Niphad, Dindori, and Malegaon talukas. Prices of food-grains generally steady. Price of dry grass at Nasik Re. 1-6-0 per 100 sheaves.

Ahmednager.—Rain during week, 15 cents at Ahmednagar, in the district maximum 1 inch 23 cents at Rahuri, minimum 9 cents at Karjat ; for season 8 inches 10 cents at Ahmednagar, in the district maximum 10 inches 98 cents at Shevgaon, minimum 3 inches 98 cents at Sangamner. Sowing continues. Condition of cattle and fodder supply unsatisfactory. Prices of food-grains at Nagar stationary. Price of karbi 30 seers per rupee.

Poona.—Rain during week 1 inch 34 cents at Poona, 18 cents at Junnar, 29 cents at Indapur, 86 inches at Khed, 61 cents at Sirur, 1 inch 73 cents at Purandhar, 12 cent at Maval, 11 cents at A'mbegaon, 74 cents at Mulshi, and 37 cents at Dhond; for season 10 inches 67 cents at Poona, in the district maximum 23 inches 63 cents at Mulshi, minimum 4 inches 49 cents at Dhond. Young kharif crops benefited by rainfall this week. Sowing of kharif crops commenced in almost all parts of the district as there is now sufficient rain. Cattle in bad condition. Price of jowari at Poona 17 lbs. 4 tolas, of bajri 14 lbs, 15 1-5 tolas, of karbi 23 4-7 lbs., and of hay 58 5-9 lbs. per rupee.

Sholapur—(For week ending 21st instant).—Rain during week 72 cents at Sholapur, 47 cents at Barsi, 19 cents at Karmala, 40 cents at Pandharpur, 70 cents at Sangola, and 72 cents at Malsiras ; for season 8 inches 37 cents at Sholapur, in the district maximum 8 inches 78 cents at Madha minimum 4 inches 8 cents at Malsiras. Sowing of kharif crops almost completed throughout the district. Young crops in good condition. Supply of green grass plentiful. Condition of cattle improving. Price of jowari slightly fallen at Barsi and Madha, and steady elsewhere. Price of wheat 7 seers 15 chataks, of rice 9 seers 12 chataks, of jowari 9 seers 6 chataks, and of bajri 8 seers 15 chataks per rupee. Price of karbi Rs. 1-8-0 per 100 bundles.

Satara.—Rain during week throughout the district, varying from 8 cents at Man to 4 inches 87 cents at Javli. Sowing operations completed. Young crops flourishing. Grain supply sufficient. Water and fodder sufficient. Prices of food-grains stationary throughout the district except at Koregaon, where they have fallen. Price of jowari at Satara 16 lbs 26 tolas, of bajri 14 lbs. 23 tolas, and of karbi 50 lbs per rupee.

Bijapur.—Rain during week, 6 cents at Hungund, 17 cents at Sindgi, 35 cents at Muddebihal, 43 cents at Bagalkot, 56 cents at Badami, 83 cents at Indi, 3 inches 8 cents at Bagevadi, and 3 inches 32 cents at Bijapur. Sowing of kharif crops completed except in some places where rainfall is insufficient. Weeding in progress and young plants thriving. Condition of cattle good. Average price of jowari 9 seers 11 chataks, of bajri 8 seers 14 chataks, of rice 2nd sort 8 seers 6chataks, of tur-dal 7 seers 1 chatak, and of karbi 165 lbs. per rupee.

Belgaum.—Rain during week 13 inches 68 cents at Chandgad, 4 inches 3 cents at Belgaum, 2 inches 88 cents at Hukeri, 2 inches 77 cents at Chikodi, 2 inches 14 cents at sampgaon, 1 inch 22 cents at Gokak, 83 cents at Murgod, 56 cents at Athni, and 4 cents at Khanapur. More rain badly wanted in Athni and Parasgad talukas. Sowing retarded for want of it. Elsewhere standing crops in good condition. Prices of food-grains and fodder stationary.

Dharwar.—Rain during week throughout the district, ranging from 1 inch 83 cents at Hangal to 5 cents at Ron. Sowing of rice generally completed in the district, and of early jowari in progress. Condition of standing crops generally good. Early jowari in Ron taluka and Nargund petha withering for want of rain. More rain required in Hubli, Navalgund, Bankapur and Kalghatgi talukas and Mundargi petha. Water supply deficient in two talukas and fodder supply in six talukas. Condition of cattle good except in Nargund petha. Prices of food-grains almost steady.

Kanara.—Rain during week throughout the district, maximum 16 inches 53 cents at Siddapur, minimum 2 inches 40 cents at Mundgod. Transplantation continues. Sugarcane and garden crops in fair condition. Fodder supply fairly sufficient. Agricultural stock in fair condition. Price of rice at Karwar 16 lbs. 20 tolas, and of ragi 24 lbs. per rupee. Price of dry grass 1 rupee per maund.

Wadhwan.—Weather cloudy and windy. No rain during week Price of bajri, 8 seers, and of jowari 9 seers per rupee.

Baroda.—No rain during week. Sowing operations commenced in Navsari division and in parts of Baroda division. More rain urgently wanted for the protection of seedlings. Condition of agricultural stock most unsatisfactory for want of fodder and water. Price of bajri 14, of jowari 17, of wheat 16, of rice superior 12, and of rice inferior 18 lbs. per British rupee.

THE HOSPITAL SCANDAL.

LETTER FROM DR. CONAN DOYLE.

TEN TO TWELVE THOUSAND PATIENTS.

WRITING to the Editor of the "British Medical Journal," from the Langman Hospital, Bloemfontein June 5, Dr. Conan Doyle says :

The outbreak of enteric among the troops in South Africa was a calamity, the magnitude of which had not been foreseen, and which even now is imperfectly appreciated. We naturally did not dwell too much upon it while the war was in progress. But it was appalling in its severity, both in quantity and quality. I know of no instance of such an epidemic in modern warfare. I have not had access to any official figures, but I believe that in one month there were from 10,000 to 12,000 men down with this, the most debilitating and lingering of continued fevers. I know that in one month 600 men were laid in the Bloemfontein Cemetery. A single day in this one town saw 40 deaths. These facts would have stiffened the resistance at Pretoria if they had been generally known. It is only now, when the worst is past, that they can be talked of.

THE HOSPITAL ORDERLY.

How was this unforeseen and unprecedented crisis grappled with ? Entirely by the efforts of the medical men and by the devotion of the orderlies. When a department is confronted by a task which demands four times more men than it has, the only way of meeting it is for each man to work four times as hard. This is exactly what occurred, and the crisis was met. In some of the general hospitals, orderlies were on duty for thirty-six hours in forty-eight, and what their duties were—how sordid and obscene—let those who have been through such an epidemic tell.

He is not a picturesque figure, the orderly, as we know him. We have not the trim, well-nourished Army man, but we have recruited from the St. John Ambulance men, who are drawn, in this particular instance, from the mill hands of a northern town. They were not very strong to start with, and the poor fellows are ghastly now. There is none of the dash and glory of war about the sallow, tired men in the dingy khaki suits—which for the sake of the public health, we will hope may never see England again. And yet they are patriots, these men; for many of them have accepted a smaller wage in order to take on these arduous duties, and they are facing danger for twelve hours of the twenty-four, just as real and much more repulsive than the scout who rides up to the strange kopje or the gunner, who stands to his gun with a pom-pom quacking at him from the hill.

SOME STATISTICS.

Let our statistics speak for themselves ; and we make no claim to be more long-suffering than our neighbours. We have 3 on the staff (Mr. Gibbs, Mr. Scharlieb, and myself). Four started, but one left us early in the proceedings. We have had 6 nurses, 5 dressers, 1 wardmaster, 1 washerman, and 18 orderlies, or 32 in all, who actually came in contact with the sick. Out of the 6 nurses, 1 has died and 3 others have had enteric. Of the five dressers, 2 have had severe enteric. The wardmaster has spent a fortnight in bed with veld sores. The washerman has enteric. Of the 18 orderlies, 1 is dead, and 8 others are down with enteric. So that out of a total of 34 we have 17 severe casualties—50 per cent.—in nine weeks. Two are dead, and the rest incapacitated for the campaign, since a man whose heart has been cooked by a temperature over 103 degrees is not likely to do hard work for another three months. If the war lasts nine more weeks, it will be interesting to see how many are left of the original personnel. When the scouts and the Lancers and the other picturesque people ride in procession through London, have a thought for the sallow orderly, who has also given of his best for his country. He is not a fancy man—you do not find them in enteric wards—but for solid work and quiet courage you will not beat him in all that gallant army.

ANTITYHPOID INOCULATION.

There is one mistake which we have made, and it is one which will not, I think, be repeated in any subsequent campaign. Inoculation for enteric was not made compulsory. If it had been so I believe that we should (and, what is more important, the army would) have escaped from most of its troubles. No doubt the matter will be fully threshed out in statistics but our strong impression, from our own experience, is that although it is by no means an absolute preventive it certainly modifies the course of the disease very materially. We have had no death yet (absit omen) from among the inoculated and more than once we have diagnosed the inoculation from the temperature chart before being informed of it. Of our own personnel only one inoculated man has had it, and his case was certainly modified very favourably by the inoculation.

THE SOLDIER IN HOSPITAL.

Of the courage and patience of the soldiers in hospital it is impossible to speak to highly. We have had 500 cases pass through our hands, and can speak now from a fairly large experience. I had always imagined that in very large army there must be a minority of skulkers and shirkers, but they are singularly absent in the South African Field Force. I have not had more than two or three cases in my wards which bore a suspicion of malingering, and my colleagues say the same. They are uniformly patient, docile, and cheerful, with an inextinguishable hope of "getting to Pretoria." There is a gallantry even about their delirium, for their delusion continually is that they have won the Victoria Cross. One patient, whom I found the other day rummaging under his pillow, informed me that he was looking for "his two Victoria Crosses." Very touching also is their care of each other. The bond which unites two soldier pals is one of the most sacred kind. One man shot in three places was being carried into Mr. Gibbs's ward. I lent an arm to his friend, shot through the leg, who limped behind him. "I want to be next Jim,' cos I'm lookin' after him," said he. That he needed looking after himself seemed never to have occurred to him.

THE WORK OF THE R.A.M.C.

I do not think that any men have ever expended money better than those who fitted out the private hospitals. The officers of the Army Medical Department freely admit that they do not know what they would have done without their aid. They arrived out here at the very moment when the sickness was becoming alarming, and they took their share of the strain when the epidemic was at its height. The large general hospitals found it difficult to get to work on account of the pressure on the line, which prevented them from getting up their bulky equipment, but the private hospitals, more compact and mobile, got to work almost at once after the arrival. The pressure was severe. Our own hospital, with equipment and personnel for 100 cases, had 150 cases, most of them virulent Paardeberg enterics, shot upon them, and had to cope with them as best they might. But the men had come out to work, and the orderlies, though untrained, never once grumbled at the great exertions which were called for. Without the Yeomanry, the Portland, the Irish, the Scotch, the Welsh, and the other hospitals fitted up by private effort, and manned by volunteers, it is difficult to see how the epidemic could have been met.

There is sure to be some adverse criticism of the Army Medical Department after the war, because they have had to meet so difficult a situation with such inadequate resources that it is impossible that there should not be particular instances where the machinery has broken down. A captious critic could quote cases of an overfilled, undermanned hospital, without medical necessities, in one place, or of hardships endured by the sick and wounded in another, How can it be otherwise, when a Department which is sufficient for the needs of two army corps has to provide for the wants of 200,000 men with typhoid raging among them ? Taking it on the whole, the Department has been well organised and well worked, and has met an unforeseen and exceptional state of things with remarkable success.

THE TERRIBLE DOCK FIRE AT NEW YORK.

PERSONAL NARRATIVES.

As already reported an appalling disaster occured at New York on Saturday June 30, some bales of cotton on the wharf of the North German Lloyd dock at Hoboken, opposite New York City, caught fire.

A mere catalogue of the losses and fatalities would be (says the "Standard's" correspondent) an inadequate picture of scenes which surpass the imagination and shock the senses. Possibly nothing more poignant has ever happened than first-class steamers afire and drifting helplessly in the harbour, an agonised face at each port-hole, and hundreds of horror-stricken people on the ferry-boats and rescuing craft. These could approach the blazing vessels, converse with and sometimes touch the victims, who were, nevertheless, beyond effective succour. Hoboken is within easy sight of the New York office buildings and stores, so that thousands saw what they did not sufficiently understand until they read the accounts, while the pillar of smoke aroused vague alarm among millions.

SCENES OF HORROR.

The North German Lloyd docks covered three huge piers running into the north river. They were great wooden structures filled with goods and cotton, and within a few minutes after the fire was discovered the great mass of buildings was ablaze from end to end. A scene of indescribable panic occurred. Flames burst out on all sides, and some chemicals which were stored in one of the buildings exploded, bringing additional terror to the already frenzied people.

People on the ships (says the correspondent of the "Daily Mail," from whose graphic account of the disaster we take several passages) believing themselves safe, remained on board until it was too late, and those on the piers, knowing that egress was impossible, jumped into the water, where dozens were drowned like rats. The flames immediately spread across the narrow space to the ships lying close alongside on each side of the wooden buildings. All the port-holes of the ships were open, and the fire at once transformed the vessels into blazing furnaces. The crews became excited and bungled their work. Tugs were at hand to assist them, but with the exception of the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which was admirably handled, the others failed to unmoor until it was impossible to save them or their crews and visitors, and they drifted on the tide, carrying death and destruction with them.

The men working between decks on the ships found themselves hemmed in by walls of fire before they had time to realise their danger. In the holds the electric lights went out, and everything was in darkness. There was an awful rush from below for the upper decks. The survivors say that men fought like fiends with knives and iron pins trying to crush their way through to the air.

Large numbers of men appeared at the port-holes of all the blazing ships imploring to be released. Many of them went mad with terror, and laughed and jabbered like monkeys. Women could be seen vainly trying to push their way to the port-holes for air, only to be held back by the frenzied fighting men.

THE BURNING SHIPS.

While these awful scenes were being enacted, the officers of the four ships managed in some way, with the assistance of tugs, to drag their vessels away from the blazing mass of buildings out into the river, where tugs with fire hoses and fire floats were waiting to play streams of water upon them; but not before many lives had been lost and incalculable damage had been done.

The Hamburg-American pier, which adjoins the North German Lloyd, was blown up with dynamite, thus preventing the fire from spreading to the other docks ; but it was not until the Hamburg-American line steamer Phœnicia was set on fire, and had it not been towed out into the river at the very last moment would have become a total loss.

The rescue of the huge Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse was a brilliant piece of work . When the alarm was given Captain Engelhart and his officers took their stations and immediately gave directions for cutting the cables. Many people rushed down the gangways and were lost in the flames on the pier. The sailors who remainad at their posts were placed on all sides with fire appliances, and at the risk of their lives kept off the flames as much as possible. Tugs drew the vessel out into the stream, and when it was found she was safe although damaged her officers and crew devoted their attention to the Saale, which by this time had been towed out.

THE SAALE ABLAZE.

The Saale was ablazing cauldron stem to stern. Many of her crew were in the burning rigging, where they had climbed for safety. The most terrible incident connected with the disaster was the appearance at the Saale's port-holes of dozens of frenzied people whom it was impossible to help. Some of the victims stretched their arms through the port-holes, some shrieked, others clasped their hands in prayer, and many went stark mad. Men and women were seen fighting for air at the port-holes, Dozens were burnt to death on the decks. One man, unusually thin, was pulled through a port-hole and rescued, and the others, infuriated by the sight of this man's safety, shook their fists and howled in disappointment,

There were (says the "Standard's," correspondent) scores of incidents like the following narrated by a survivor from the Saale :—

"There were forty of us. We had just had our afternoon coffee and luncheon. By four o'clock the boss shouted, and we went forward to work in the hold. Someone shouted 'The ship is on fire.' Then such a scramble followed that every man was turned into a devil. We ran—fighting, clawing, scratching, and swearing—for the ladder leading up to the deck. We found the hatches battened down. How the men did curse ! Some climbed upon a ladder and pounded their fists against the main hatch. They pounded until blood ran through the iron grating. We saw the flames. The fire was forward ; it was in the stern ; it was everywhere. Some of us started forward. We had to pass over the coal bins. Part of the way we could walk, part of the way we had to stoop ; towards the last we crawled on our bellies. Think of forty men struggling like rats in that black hole ! There was no air. Everybody was fighting and cursing to get out. We crowled through the machinery and got up on the pumps forward ; but there were forty of us and on the pums there was only room for fifteen or twenty. One man tried to pull me from my place. I kicked his face in and he lay still. Ten men tried to climb up. Others kicked them down. The man that fell first was stamped on like so much coal. I guess he is dead now. We were almost all dead, Outside we could here the cracking of the flames. We knew the firemen were working to reach us. We could here them shouting, but we thought they could never reach us. It was like hell down there. The men tore their clothes off and threw them away. Then after a while they stopped cursing. The men down at the bottom did not fight any more. One by one they just fell down and lay still. A big man near me said, 'We ought to pray.' Near him a fellow who had done a lot of fighting and cursing began to cry. Then he prayed. Minutes were like months. Think of such a place from four o'clock until after seven even it we knew we were to be saved. But no ! we were sure it was death, But then we heard firemen above. After a while they put down a ladder. I got out. The others—well, I hope they got out too."

The Saale drifted to Liberty Island and grounded on Communipaw Flats. Fifty bodies were recovered from the vessel, landed at New York, and taken to the mortuary. They were quite unrecognisable.

EXPLOSION ON THE BREMEN.

Immediately after the fire reached the Bremen there was a loud explosion, the smoke enveloping the ship from stem to stern. The vessel lurched and sank immediately, throwing many persons into the water. There were at the time about one hundred visitors on board the Bremen, half of whom were women and children.

There were heartrending sounds of distress from the men imprisoned on the Main. A number of captains of tugs assert that there were also women at the port-holes of the burned vessels struggling with the men for air or deliverance, which was impossible, while at the back of the port-holes were heard the cries of others madly struggling for life.

TWO HUNDRED DEAD.

The North German Lloyd Company's estimate of 200 dead was made after taking the crew lists and checking off those in the hospitals or reported safe. Among the dead are a number of officers. The Company believes that most of the victims belonged to the steamers.

DEATH BY FIRE AND WATER.

Captain Smith, of the Police Boat Patrol, gives the following account of another incident among hundreds happening together :—"We heard cries at the back of the port-holes. The people seemed to be struggling for what little air and respite the holes gave. We saw one woman. The flames were rapidly approaching her, A deck hand handed her a hose, and she played it about her state room. How that woman fought for her life ! She might as well have poured a teacupful of water into a living volcano. She had no possible chance. As she sought the fire the ship sank steadily. The woman's struggles were stopped by the rush of water as the port-hole sank below the surface." Nobody knows whether this woman was stewardess, or a passenger, or visitor. One mother, with blazing garments, was seen to throw water on a child in her arms. Both were drowned. As the Saale drifted and settled the port-holes took a slope along which (we quote from the "Standard's" correspondent) death poured in—a face falling away, an arm or woman's hand, which wavered until the end came, being the details of the terrible scene, while a priest on the bow of a tug was shouting and gesturing absolution

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE s s Castleventry, 1,915 tons, Captain C H Laing, will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE B I S N Co's s s Khandalla, 1,318 tons, Captain J Rickford, R N R, will sail to-day for Calcutta via coast ports, with a general cargo, Mr J Hodgart and 41 deck passengers.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's s s King Arthur, 1,047 tons, Captain J Hannah, arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and 6 deck passengers,

THE B I S N Co's s s Sirdhana, 2,079 tons, Captain T E Smith, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon 6th June, with a general cargo and Messrs Blackman, MacMillan and P Collins as passengers.

THE City Line s s City of Lucknow, 2,370 tons, Captain D Morrison, arrived in harbour yesterday from Liverpool 27th June, with a general cargo. The vessel is consigned to Messrs Forbes, Forbes and Co.

THE s s Ileaface, 372 tons, Captain T Maloney, arrived in harbour yesterday from Maldives, 19th July, in ballast, and 1 deck passenger. During the voyage she experienced strong W N W winds and heavy squalls.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's s s Moshtari, 1,110 tons, Captain C Barron, arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden 18th June, with a general cargo and 60 deck passengers. During the voyage three deaths occurred amongst the passengers from old age.

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION.

"PERSIAN GULF."

Shat-al-Arab—Western Channel Outer Bar Buoy adrift.—Information has been received from the Political Resident, Persion Gulf, through the Port Officer, Bombay, dated 25th June 1900, that the outer bar buoy at the entrance of the Western Channel Shat-al-Arab River is adrift.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—JULY 26.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Abyssinia		Greet	Wet Basin		Turret-ship
Plassy					Torpedo Catcher
Clive		Baugh	China	Dry Dock	R I M S
Dalhousie		Kendall			R I M S
Investigator		Heming		Dry Dock	R I M S
Nancoury		Mills		Do.	R I M S
Yanariva	2165	Smith			M M & Co
H Bolckow	629	Baker			B & P S N Co
Culna	1463	Hill			M M & Co
Croydon	2410	Butler	Calcutta		M M & Co
Tokio	2481	Jones	Liverpool		M M & Co
Dragoman	2214	Waters			M M & Co
Byculla	1095	Kedsley			M M & Co
Unity	929	Hansen			Bombay Co
St Irine	2474	Altree			M M & Co
Ileaface	372	Maloney			V Ebram & Co
Moshtari	1110	Barron			B & P S N Co
Sirdhana	2079	Smith			M M & Co
King Arthur	1047	Hannah			B & P S N Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.—JULY 26.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
A	Sultan	1782	Stahl	Zanzibar	3-8	F Heyer
B	Clan Chisholm	1680	Worfolk			F M & Co
C	Bq Esmeralda	673	Pederson	Melbourne	28-7	O & Okeil
F	Maroa	4457	Adams			M M & Co
H & J	Magdala	3340	Greet			Turret Ship
,,	Tenasserim		do			Receiving Hulk
L	Mahanadi	547	Budroo	Repairing		Shepd & Co
M	Zaida	2883		Repairing		M M & Co
R	Mozaffari	1387	Baker	Jedda	28-7	B & P S N Co
	City of Lucknow	2370	Morrison			F F & Co

Transport.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
K	Carthage	2893	London	China	3 8	Transport

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
1	Bullmouth	2606	Stratton	Middlesbro	28-7	W&AG&Co
2	Castleventry	1915	Laing	Rangoon	26-7	M M & Co
3	Ashruf	2202	McAlister	E Africa	28-7	H C Joosub
4	Raventhaler	1813	Freedon	Hamburg	31-7	Glade & Co
5	Parramatta	2854	Symons			P & O Co
7	Bengal	4655	Barcham	Aden	4-8	P & O Co
9	C of Edinburgh	1060	Baillie	Singapore		F Forbes & Co
10	El Guiser	639	Ahmed	Repairing		W & A G & Co
11	Muttra	2985	Macintyre	China	31-7	M M & Co
12	Caledonia	3529	Gordon	London	28-7	P & O Co
14	Kola	497	Robertson	Karachi	28-7	M M & Co
16	Madagascar	1693	Rouxel	Mauritius	28-7	V Brothers
			100 ton Crane.			
	Lindon Bates	67	Gliddel	Calcutta		C Bros

*Probable date of departure.

ARRIVALS.

July.	Vessel.	Commander	From.
26	Ileaface s	Maloney	Maldives, July 19
	City of Lucknow s	Morrison	Liverpool, July 27
	Moshtari s	Barron	Aden, June 18
	Sirdhana s	Smith	Rangoon, June 6
	King Arthur s	Hannah	Persian Gulf
	Pachumba s	Skinner	Persian Gulf

DEPARTURES.

July.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
26	Simla s	Bamber	Persian Gulf
	Yarra s	Schmitz	Kobe, &c
	Lawada Transport	Grier	Calcutta
	Zamania Transport	Lee	China

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday :—

Steamer Khandalla, Rickford, for Calcutta, &c.
,, Castleventry, Laing, for Calcutta.

The steamer Moshtari, entered for loading yesterday for Persian Gulf.

DAILY IMPORTS.—JULY 26.

FROM GLASGOW.

Clan Chisholm s—33 cases gingerwine and 161 cases whisky, D Dadabhoy ; 15 bales paper, M Mahomedally ; 125 cases slates, Abedin Amroodin ; 204 cases whisky, D Cowasjee.

FROM LONDON.

Caledonia s—57 cases port wine and 35 cases liqueurs, Phipson and Co ; 3 cases photo materials, D M Dukle and Co ; 30 cases liqueurs and 17 cases provision, D Cowasjee.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Clan Chisholm s—250 boxes bar soap, E M Abdeally.

FROM MARSEILLES.

Calenonia s—50 cases still wine and 15 cases liqueurs, Phipson and Co.

FROM BOULOGNE.

Caledonia s—25 cases still wine, Phipson and Co.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Caledonia s—7 cases brandy, D Dadabhoy.

FROM HAMBURG.

Rauenthaler s—20 cases chemicals, Hormusjee Ruttonjee and Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JULY 26.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Tokio s—152 bales cotton, David Sassoon and Co ; 26 bales hemp, W Watson and Co ; 500 bales cotton, E D Sassoon and Co ; 400 cwt old copper and brass, R Keroba ; 195 cwt old brass and copper, Killick Nixon and Co ; 1,570 cwt myrabollams, Wagjee Bacher ; 14 bales hemp, F C Kapadia ; 18 bales cotton waste, 8 ba'es cotton fly, D Balkrishna and Co ; 37 bales wool, Tokersey Shamjee ; 25 bales wool, David Sassoonand Co ; 25 bales hides, Hajee Oosman and Co ; 152 bales cotton, Heerjee Hamsraz ; 41 bales wool, Doongersey Nagjee ; 200 bales gunny cutting, Purshotum Bhimjee ; 66 cwt gum, L Nanabhoy.

FOR LONDON.

Caledonia s—5 bales woollen carpets, Fleming Shaw and Co ; 12 cwt deer horns and 6 cwt peacock feathers, Gunny Hassambhoy ; 73 cwt dry chillies, Ebrahim Currim ; 18 bales skins, W and A Graham and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Rauenthaler s—450 cwt myrabollams and 60 bales hemp, Seervai and Cninoy ; 21 cwt gum, Chamunlal Mangaldas and Co ; 100 bales cott n fly, Isaac Wright and Co ; 10 bales hemp, Kiddle Reeve and Co ; 110 bales cotton, Gill and Co ; 259 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co ; 3,000 cwt myrabollams, Ralli Brothers ; 9 cwt palm leaves, Megjee Mooljee and Co ; 4,000 cwt crushed bones, R Kaderbhoy.

FOR HAVRE.

Madagascar s—100 bales cotton, Prier de Saone and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Madagascar s—79 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers.

FOR HONGKONG.

Parramatta s—200 bales twist Ebrahim Noordin and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Parramatta s—100 bales twist, N J Abraham.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR A. K. LESLIE, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 27th July, 1900.

1. Leave of absence for 3 months from the 28th instant has been granted to Gunner E Thomeas.
2. The following member having joined has been taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to No. 3 Subdivision No. 1 Company—No. 738 Gunner C Coulter.

By Order,
G. STODDART, Capt. R. A.
Adjutant, B. V. A.

NOTICE.

CINDERELLA DANCE.

A Dance will be held at the Club Rooms to-morrow (Saturday) 28th instant. Details of which can be seen on the Club Notice Board.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

FOR health, beauty, and luxury, use the Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap, which, Lady Constance Howard writes, is "pleasant to use, and whitens and softens the Skin." Also Testimonials from Countess Bathurst, Countess Clanwilliam, Viscountess Exmouth, Lady Dorothy Nevill, and many others. Delicately perfumed. Warning. When buying the Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap, see that name and figure head of "Albion" are on the wrapper. Sold by all Chemists, Grocers, &c.

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HIGH COURT.—JULY 27.

Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice RUSSELL.

For Judgment.

1079 549 99—Ardesir H D and Co—Hajee Mahomed Hajee Jiwa vs Emiel Spinner and others—Payne G S and M.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

66 1900—Nanu and H—Muljee Purshotum and another vs Cursondas Nathoo and others—Little and Co, M D and J, N and H and R G S and M. Part heard.

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

1086—E F Nicholson—The Government of Bombay vs Dayal Muljee—Payne G S and M.

1093 64 99—Hiralal M and M—Dadibai vs Sedick Hajee Gool Mahomed and others—N M Caina, Hiralal M and M and F D and Co.

1085—Payne G S and M—J E Sassoon and others vs Sir Jehangir Cowasjee Jehangir Readymoney and others—Pestonjee R and K and E F Nicholson.

References from the Bombay Court of Small Causes.

20128 99—Unwalla and P—Saliram Ramsahi vs Tulsidas Mathuradas and others.

M-20 1900—Tyabjee D and Co—Javerbai widow and others vs The Municipal Commissioner—Crawford B and Co.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.

Suits for hearing and final Disposal.

Long Causes.

476 99—Crawford B and Co—Hassumbhai Visram and another vs Bai Doodebai widow and others—Craigie L and O and B and K. Part heard.

474 99—Crawford B and Co—Hassumbhai Visram and another vs Dossa Thakersey—Bhaishunker and K.

226 97—Little and Co—Bomonjee Sorabjee Mazagonwala vs Framjee Cursetjee and others—Edgelow G and W and J and R.

507 20481 99—Payne G S and M—Khimjee Jaitha and another vs Pragjee Vulubdas—M Virjee.

714 99—Daphtary and F—A T Pereira vs T J Bennett and others—Crawford B and Co.

163 1900—Tyabjee D and Co—Hemchand Mulchand vs C H Forwood and others—Crawford B and Co, C L and O.

For postponement.

679 99—Bhaishanker and K—Bhagirthibai vs Sitabai—Khunderao and S.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice CROWE.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

652 99—Little and Co—Jamsetjee Nowrojee Kapadia vs Hirabai—F P Pavri, part heard.

779 99—Daphtary and F—Vithaldas Dwarkadas and another vs Badrudin Abdoola Koor—Janardhan and R, part heard.

479 95—Payne G S and M—Mahomedally Haidarally Chinai vs Mahomedally Abdul Kador—Edgelow G and W and Pestonjee R and K—Part heard.

604 99—Edgelow G and W—Motibai vs Damodar Bhanjee and another—Muljee and R.

135 4838 99—Ardeshir H and D—Cullianjee Khetsey vs Bhugwanbhai Bhawanbhai—M J and M.

731 99—Wadia and J—Motee Wagjee and others vs Sakarbai widow and others—P G S and M, and M and H.

687 97—Hiralal M and M—R S Raphael vs Mirza Mahomed Banker—Edgelow G and W.

222 98—Sorabjee and J—Ebrahim Abdul Ally and another vs Ebrahimji Rehmanji Khanbhai—Payne G S and M.

106 1900—Thakurdas D C and H—Bai Pashibai vs Mamlal Purbhoodas and others—H J R Hemming.

50 1900—Payne G S and M—Dhira Joda vs Dhurma Teckchand—H M and M.

760 99—Payne G S and M—Jaitha Jadowjee vs Khimjee Assoo and another—Shamrao and M.

709 99—Thakurdas D C and H—Abdur Rehman Hajee Goolam Hoosen bin Tahir and another vs Esmail Hajee Abdulla bin Hajee Tahir—P F Pavri.

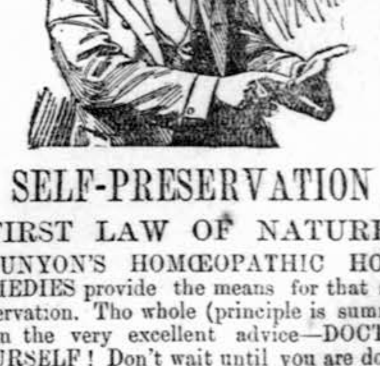
GODHRA-RUTLAM-NAGDA RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 16th June 1900, on 141·14 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	3,000	28,000	......	31,000
Or per mile of Railway	21	199	......	220
For previous 23 weeks of half-year.	82,882	7,28,636	3,410	8,14,928
Total for 24 weeks	85,882	7,56,636	3,410	8,45,928
Comparison.				
Total for corresponding week of previous year	3,564	26,901	13	30,478
Per mile of Ry. do.	25	191	......	216
Total to corresponding date do.	75,991	6,14,216	3,380	6,93,607

A SMALL tabular statement, which appears in the last meteorological report published in Saturday's "Gazette of India," serves to bring home to us the failure of the monsoon current north of Bombay up to the 19th instant. In the whole of Sindh and in the Montgomery District of the Punjab there has been no rain at all. Surat has received 4·16 inches instead of 22 ; Ahmedabad 1·33 instead of over 16 ; Rajkot 1·29 instead of 13·59 ; Veraval 0·23 instead of nearly 11 inches ; Bhuj practically none instead of 6 ; Deesa a little over half-an-inch instead of 8·72 ; and Mount Abu about an inch instead of its normal 20 inches. Going further north we find that Sirsa in the Punjab, immediately to the north of Bikanir, has had a little over half-an-inch, though it should have received nearly 4 1-2 inches. The deficiency above shown is very serious, and the only comfort is that Rajputana north of Mount Abu has had a fairly good rainfall this month. The further progress of the Arabian Sea branch of the monsoon will be watched with anxiety, for more rain is urgently needed in Gujerat and the adjacent country northwards. A strong current in August and September would remedy the existing mischief, but there is no guarantee that this will put in an appearance.

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LORD GRIMTHORPE, who has just resigned the position of Chancellor and Vicar-General to the Diocese of York, which he has held since 1877, is a many-sided man. He has a reputation for many things, but the monument of his life's work is undoubtedly the restoration of St Albans Abbey. It was about the time when the Restoration Committee were at their wits' end for money to continue the restoration of the venerable fane that Lord Grimthorpe went to St. Albans to reside. His reputation as a church builder preceded him, and when it was announced that he had offered to restore the Abbey there was great glee on every hand.

The committee thought they would have the pleasure of spending his lordship's money as they wished, but rude was their awakening. Lord Grimthorpe quietly obtained a faculty covering the whole building, and one Sunday morning the announcement was as quietly affixed to the various doors of the church. There was something like consternation, but when his lordship announced the lines on which he intended to restore the fabric the consternation gave way to alarm. Most people know his battles with critics and cynics. Attacks upon him were made with almost the mechanical regularity of a Thibetan prayer-mill, but the occupation of his assailants would have been just as profitable if they had applied themselves to the task of trying to demolish the pyramids with peas and a pea-shooter!

Lord Grimthorpe is nothing if not original. As a Churchman he is most loyal, but he does not look with a favourable eye on the Bench of Bishops. Nor does he agree with capitular bodies, and has expressed himself strongly on the subject of the creation of a Dean and Chapter for St. Albans Cathedral. It is said that when Dean Lawrence was appointed, he wrote a letter congratulating him. "I suppose I must waste a penny stamp to congratulate you, wrote the wealthy peer, it is stated. Recently there was a rumour that his lordship intended to endow the St. Albans Dean and Chapter. A representative of one of the local papers at St. Albans went to Batch Wood to test the truth of the rumour, and as Lord Grimthorpe had been so ill, asked to see her ladyship. Lord Grimthorpe heard of the visit and sent for the reporter. "Why did you ask to see my lady?" he demanded. "Because I thought your lordship was too unwell to see anyone," replied the reporter. "Well, don't do it again! I like to be seen personally about these matters!" The reporter had a bad quarter-of-an-hour, and was not sorry when he was allowed to depart. But he obtained the information which he sought, though not directly. Lord Grimthorpe will not endow the Dean and Chapter of St. Albans, even if he contributes any thing.

Lieut. H. F. Bigge, of the Royal Engineers, who was last week reported wounded in the Rhenoster River engagement, is a son of Major-General Bigge, of Lye House, Bricket Wood, St. Albans. Lieut. Bigge was educated at the Oxford Military College, and took his B. A. degree at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he won his oar, rowing third in the first Trinity "Head of the Lent" Boat. He joined Major Crompton's electrical engineering works at Chelmsford, where he took an active interest in cricket and golf, and won the Golf Challenge Cup, which he holds this year. He held the position of lieutenant in the Electrical Engineer Volunteers, and when the war broke out his regiment volunteered for service. There was no room for all the officers, but Lieut. Bigge, not to be baulked of his desire, at once volunteered as a sergeant. In May, however, he received his commission in the Royal Engineers.

Lieut. Bigge—or Sergeant Bigge, as he was then—took place as the leading driver of the engines of his regiment. He was in charge of the engine attached to the train in which Lord Kitchener was sleeping, when the Boers, under De Wet made an attack upon it. In company with Lieut. Micklem (also wounded) and Lieut. North, R.E., and Lieut. Holmes, of the Royal Irish Regiment, and a small party of sixty-three, they kept the Boers at bay while Lord Kitchener rode for help. Their defence was most stubborn, for bodies of dead Boers were found within twenty yards of the train, which was riddled with bullets. Lieutenant Bigge has a brother at the front, Captain G. O. Bigge.

Major-General Bigge, Lieutenant Bigge's father, is the descendant of an old Northumbrian family, and his grandfather was a staunch friend and Whig supporter of Lord Grey, some time Prime Minister. In the Royal Welsh Fusiliers he served throughout the siege of Sebastopol, and was wounded in the trenches. He volunteered and led the Royal Welsh, which assisted in saving the great English magazine when the French field artillery magazines blew up alongside, in November, 1855. Having served in China early in 1857, the gallant general was attached to the Northumberland Fusiliers throughout the Indian Mutiny. He was in the relief of Lucknow, and many other of the stirring scenes of the campaign. In 1865-66 he was in command of troops at Castlebar, west of Ireland, when he discovered that drilling under Irish-Americans was going on all round, and unearthed a conspiracy to surprise the barracks and shoot down himself and officers. Two of his own men were implicated, and fifteen of the ringleaders were arrested the same night. This proceeding restored order, and the Irish-American drill sergeants left that part of the country. Selected by Lord Napier of Magdala, he commanded at Nynee Yal in the East Indies, was Assistant Adjutant-General to the Fourth Division Camp of Exercise, Delhi, and commanded the Agra Brigade in the East Indies in 1880. He retired to reserve in 1882. Major-General Bigge is the kindest of men, and as a public speaker it is a pleasure to listen to him. He is eloquent both as regards language and metaphor, but while quiet, his oratory is incisive and most effective.

There are few more popular figures in Scotia's capital than that of "John" Chiene, renowned alike for his surgical skill and the *bonhomie* of his manner. Professor Chiene is now at the front with the Scottish Hospital detachment, and on the morning of his departure he appeared in his class-room clad in the now familiar khaki. Needless to say, he got a rousing welcome from his "boy." In the course of a short address, as reported by the *Edinburg Evening Dispatch*, the Professor explained that it was not the first time he had worn Her Majesty's uniform. Upwards of thirty years ago he had worn the uniform of the Fife Light Horse. At that time he was affected with the Bacillus Gallicus, which had now given place to the Bacillus Transvaaliensis!

Few of the members of the Hospital detachment by the way, had any notion of military drill, and in anticipation of the visit of General Chapman, the Sergeant-Major had difficulty in getting the little company to dress in line. All his efforts proving in vain to get a line to suit his exacting taste, he cried out in despair, "Toe the gutter," and the hint was acted on with brilliant success. Everyone will join in wishing Professor Chiene a safe return.

Sir John Power, who succumbed to wounds received near Lindley, went out to South Africa last January with the Belfast contingent of the "Hunting Brigade," as the Irish Yeomanry has been called. Sir John, like all the Powers, was a keen sportsman and a fine rider to hounds. He will be much missed in the Kilkenny Hunt, which owes its origin to his great-grandfather, the first baronet who established it in the year 1797.

Kilfane, the family seat in county Kilkenny, is a charming place, and contains some fine pictures. It has been let for some years, but Sir John Power lived with his mother and sisters in a small house which belonged to them, on the demesne. In appearance he was tall and remarkably handsome, and possessed charming manners, though he was extremely shy and averse to society. He was devoted to all country pursuits. His brother, Mr. Derrick Power, who succeeds him, is in the Rifle Brigade, and is now quartered in India.

The author in whose favour General Baden-Powell renounced his intention of writing his experiences of Mafeking is Major F. D. Baillie, who was in the beleaguered town throughout the siege. Almost immediately after the relief, Major Baillie left for Cape town and home, bringing with him the MS. of his book which, written day by day in diary form gives a minute and very vivid account of the defence of the town—in which last the author played no inconsiderable part. It was published by Messrs. Constable on Monday of this week, under the title of "Mafeking: A Diary of the Siege."

Tall, slender, with clear-cut aristocratic features and beautifully dressed hair, Mrs. Henniker has a very attractive personality, and is the most devoted of sister-in-laws to Lord Crewe's young bride. At the time of Lord Crewe's bereavement she frequently acted the part of hostess for him, especially during the time that he held the office of Viceroy of Ireland.

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Lady Selkirk is an interesting personage in London Society. As her late husband's title is extinct, she has the pleasant privilege of being the only possible bearer of this historic name. She was a Miss Grey Egerton, daughter of a former Sir Philip Grey Egerton, and in 1878 she became the young wife of the then aged Earl of Selkirk. Lord Selkirk was a man of considerable importance and highly connected.

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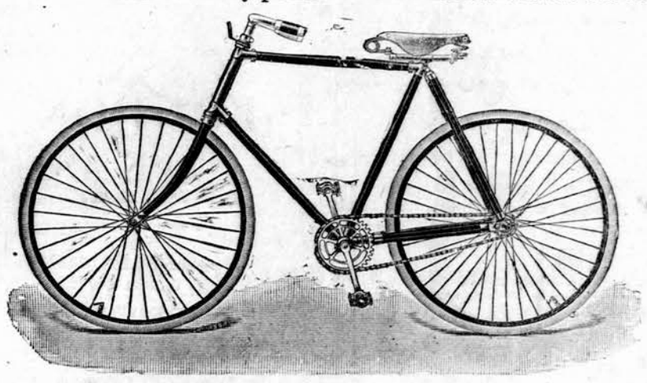
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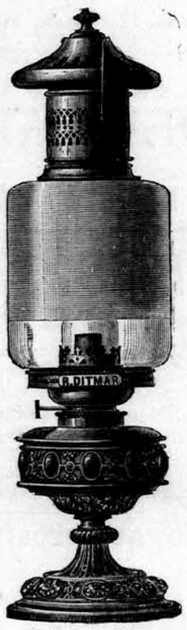
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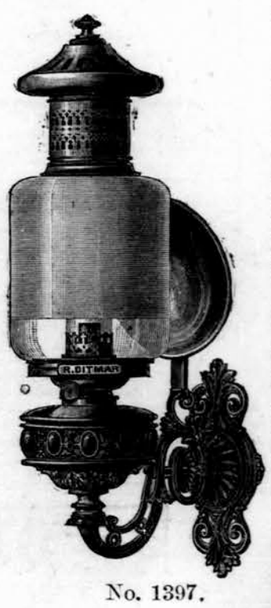
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